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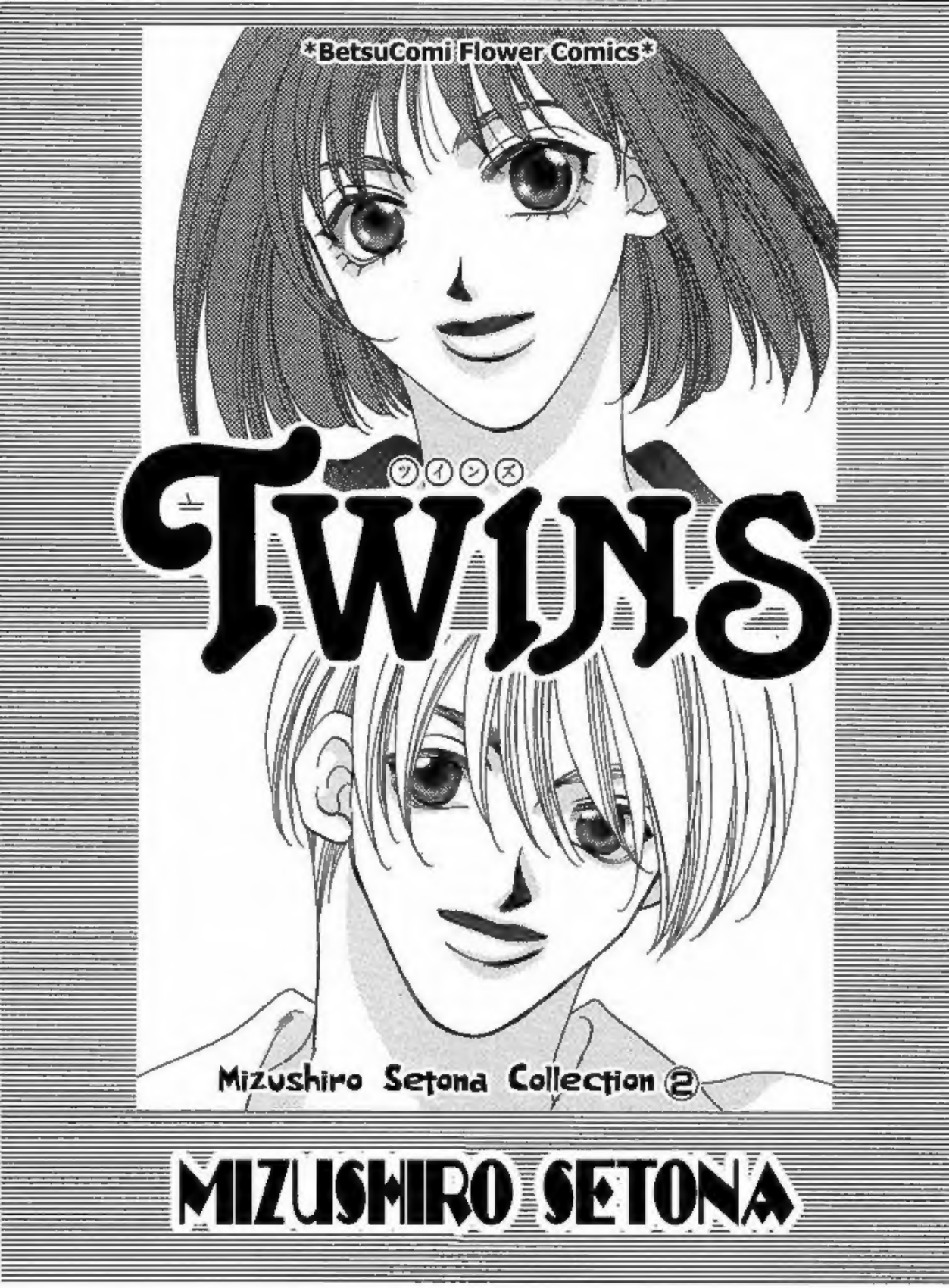
Main Work Synopsis

★ Moe-Rin*(Moeka) from the girls' school and Shino-chan*(Shinobu) from the boys' school, are twins. The twins get along very well, but now things are different: Tori-chan(Torigai-Sensei) from the boys' school has fallen in love at first sight with Moe-Rin, while Shino-chan is suddenly approaching Mifuyu-Sensei from the girls' school. Even though they're both children, who will have the first love experience? A decisive love comedy from Mizushiro's famous series. ♡

Works Included /TWINS/Don't Stop Us/Shiyou Kawaramachi Love Story



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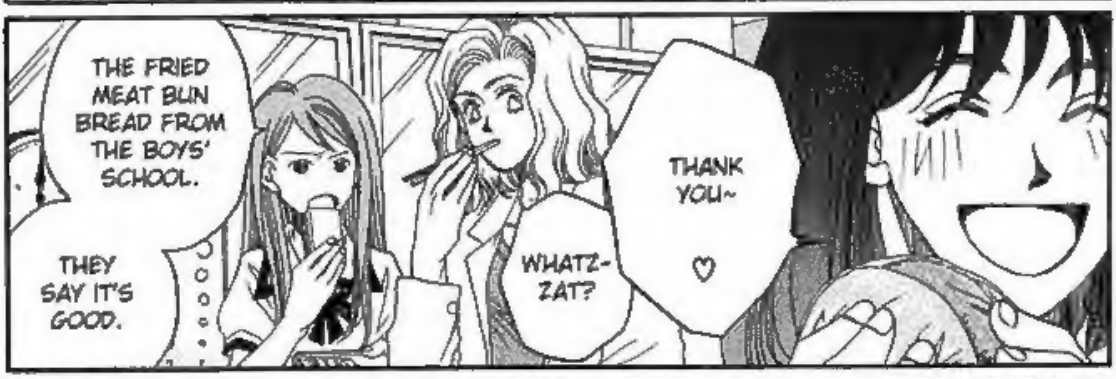

That guy, Shinobu, and I, Moeka, are twins.

Our schools are beside each other... an all girls' school and an all boys' school.

TWINS

MY SISTER ASKED ME, SO...
WELL, IT'S JUST THAT...
AH, TORI-CHAN.
HEY! HARUHATA.
YOU CAN'T THROW THINGS INTO THE OTHER SCHOOL!
Hello...
BOW
peep in
WHAT THE-?
SO CUTE...!!
SO-
AH, SHINOBU'S BIG SIS.
SWOO
N

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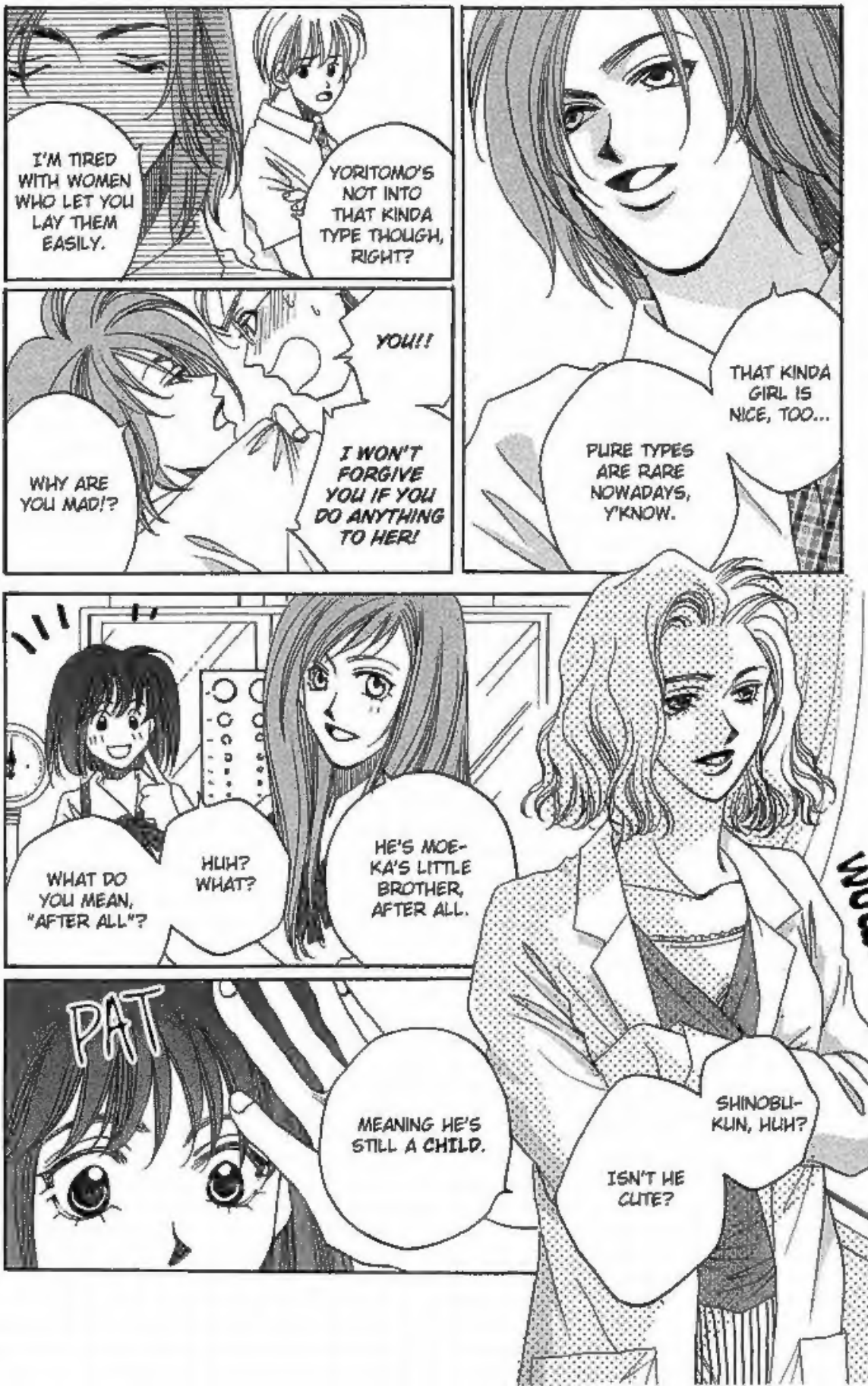
I'M TIRED WITH WOMEN WHO LET YOU LAY THEM EASILY.
YORITOMO'S NOT INTO THAT KINDA TYPE THOUGH, RIGHT?
YOU!!
I WON'T FORGIVE YOU IF YOU DO ANYTHING TO HER!
WHY ARE YOU MAD!?
THAT KINDA GIRL IS NICE, TOO...
PURE TYPES ARE RARE NOWADAYS, Y'KNOW.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "AFTER ALL"?
HUH? WHAT?
HE'S MOE-KA'S LITTLE BROTHER, AFTER ALL.
WOW!
PAT
MEANING HE'S STILL A CHILD.
SHINOBU-KUN, HUH?
ISN'T HE CUTE?

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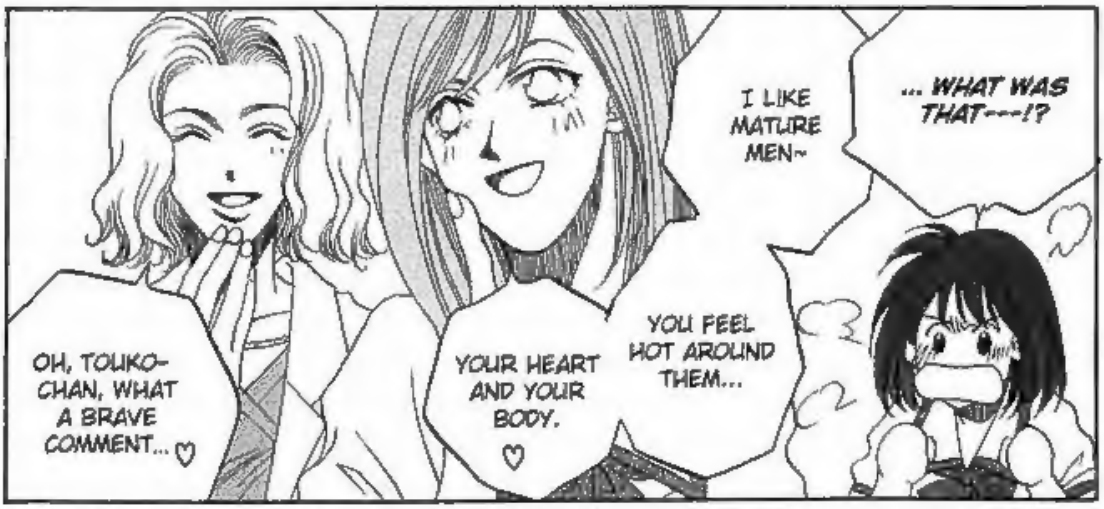

Shinobu's Skin care
SHE LOOKS BEAUTIFUL WHENEVER YOU SEE HER... SO COOL...
IS HER NAME MIFUYU-SENSEI?
THE PHYSI-CIAN AT MOE-RIN'S PLACE,

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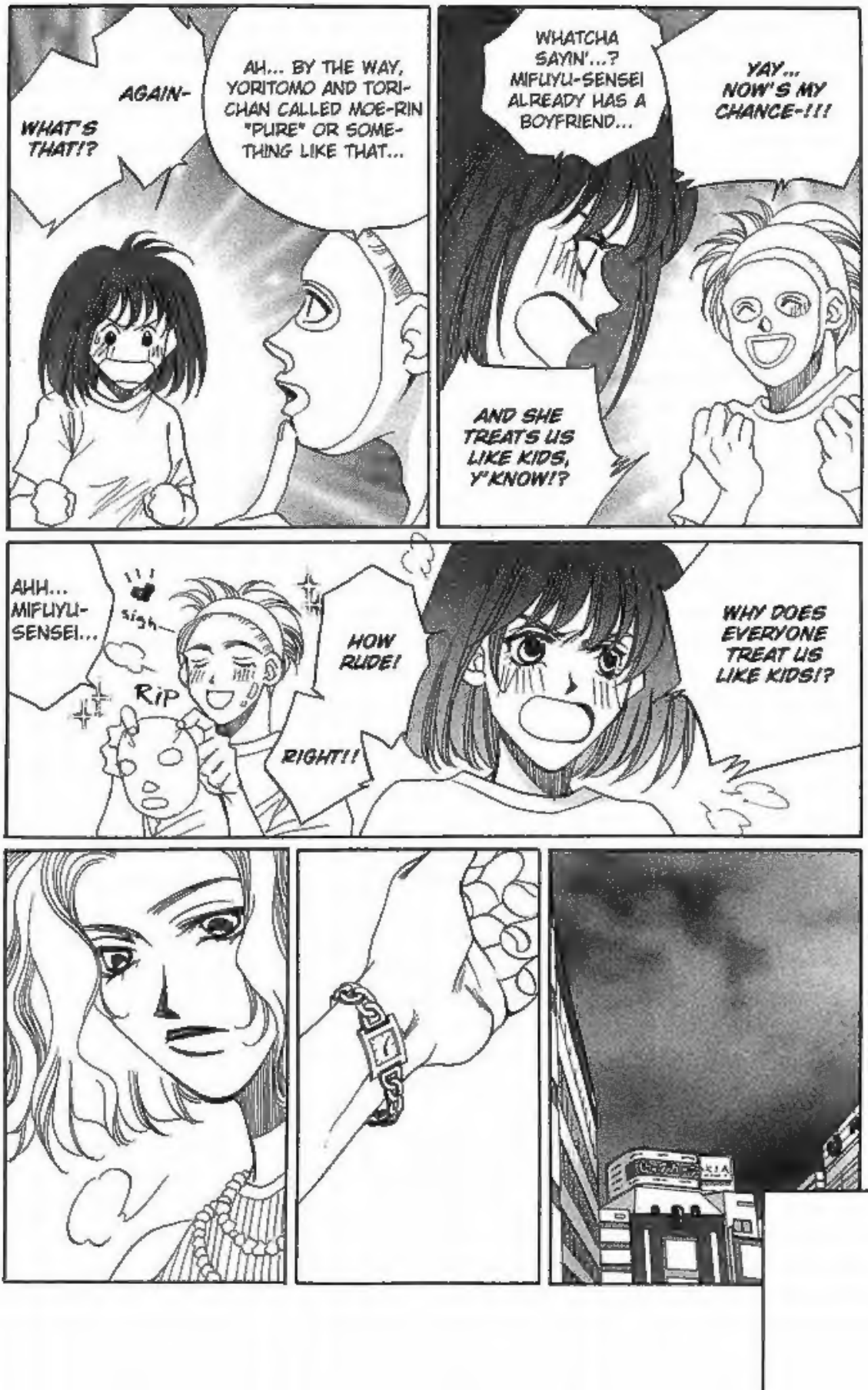
AH... BY THE WAY, YORITOMO AND TORI-CHAN CALLED MOE-RIN "PURE" OR SOME-THING LIKE THAT...
AGAIN-
WHAT'S THAT!?
WHATCHA SAYIN'...? MIFUYU-SENSEI ALREADY HAS A BOYFRIEND...
YAY... NOW'S MY CHANCE-!!!
AND SHE TREATS US LIKE KIDS, Y'KNOW!?
AHH... MIFUYU-SENSEI...
sigh
RIP
HOW RUDE!
RIGHT!!
WHY DOES EVERYONE TREAT US LIKE KIDS!?

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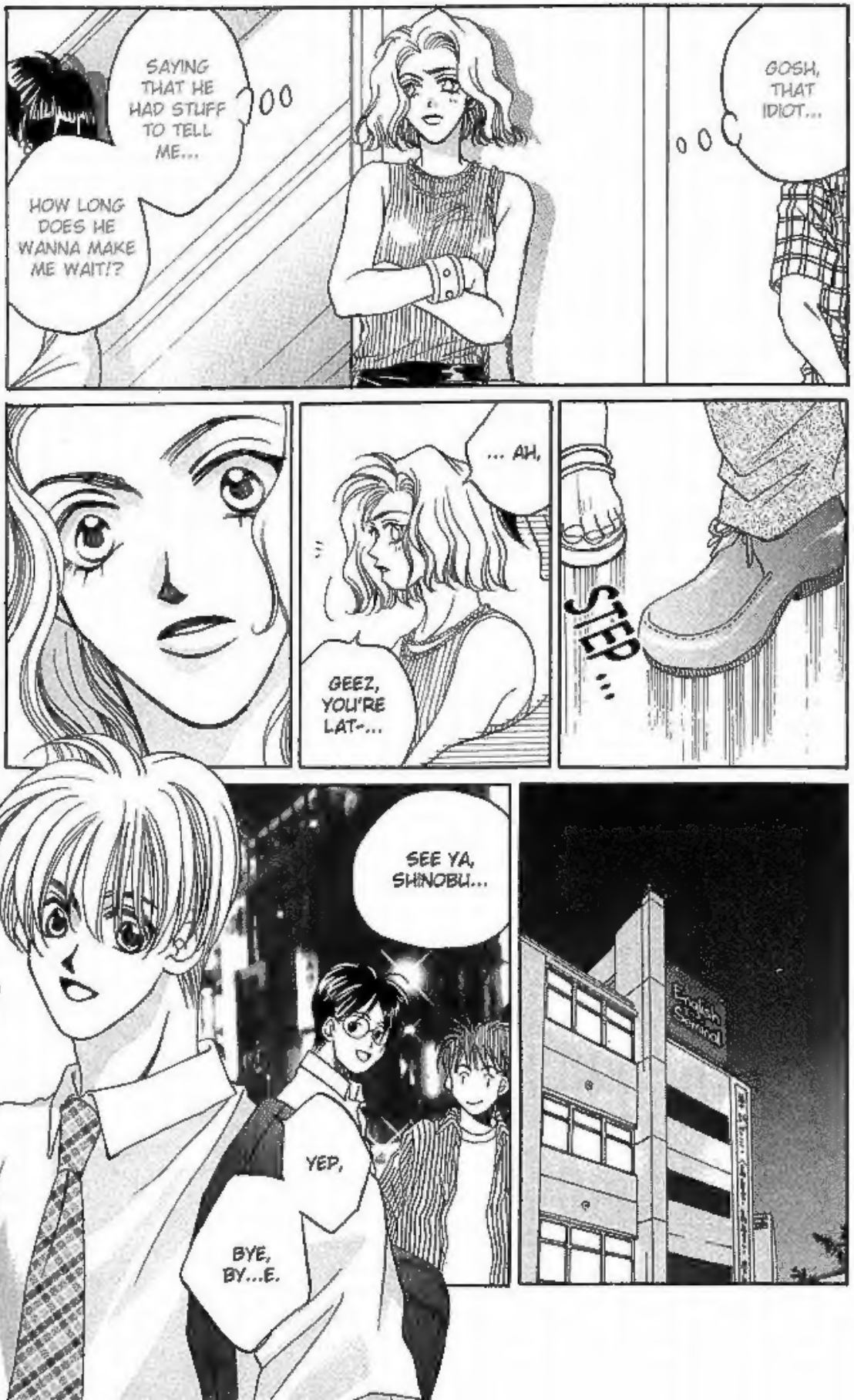

...!
MIFUYU-SENSEI...!?
I'M HARUHATA SHINOBU.
... OH MY, YOU'RE...
MOEKA-CHAN'S BROTHER...
SENSEI!
WHAT HAP-PENED...!? AT A PLACE LIKE THIS.

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WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU, SENSEI...?
TO BE ALONE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...
SHE'S DRUNK
HE-Y! YOU CAN~NOT PLAY UNTIL THIS LATE, HU-H!?
Da! Da!
IT'S NOT THAT. I JUST CAME BACK FROM NIGHT SCHOOL...
Oo..
SNIFF
... ALONE...
I'M DUMPED BY A GUY!
TOO BAD I'M ALONE-!!!
SO WHAT...!? TOO BAD I'M BY MY-SELF...!!!
WHAT KIND OF DUMPING METHOD IS THAT!? STOP KIDDING ME-!!!
THAT IDIOT, HE BROUGHT HIS NEW WOMAN TO MEET ME.
UMM ...
S-SENSEI ...

COMPARED TO YOUNG GIRLS, MIFUYU-SEN-SEI IS WAY BETTER...!
T-THAT'S NOT TRUE!!!
EVEN YOU LIKE YOUNGER GIRLS, RIGHT!!
WHAT IF I'M ALREADY 27!?
S-SENSEI ...
PLEASE ...
Wahhhhhhhhhhhh
THANK YOU-!!
YOU'RE SUCH A GOOD BOY-!!
Sniff
Sniff
Sniff
TAXI
STATION

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... OH MY...
EVEN IF I'M LIKE THIS-
NOT ONLY IN SCHOOL, NOBODY HAS BEATEN ME IN THE NATIONAL EXAMS YET.
BUT EVERY-THING JUST STARTED NOW!
YOU'RE A GOOD CHILD, STUDYING UNTIL SO LATE.
I'M SORRY TO TROUBLE YOU SO...
I WANT TO BE THE CONTROL-LING FORCE OF THE COUNTRY BEHIND THE SCENES!!
MY DREAM IS TO BECOME AN ELITE POLITI-CIAN,
AND MAKE JAPAN MY COUNTRY!!
IF IT DIS-TRACTED YOU A BIT, THAT'S GOOD.
OH WELL,
... IT'S NOTHING TO LAUGH ABOUT...
GYA HA HA

squeak
OKAY THEN SENSEI.
PLEASE BE CAREFUL ON YOUR WAY HOME.
GOOD NIGHT.
GOING HOME ALONE .?
... AM I ...

... SENSEI ...
UMM...
.....
.....
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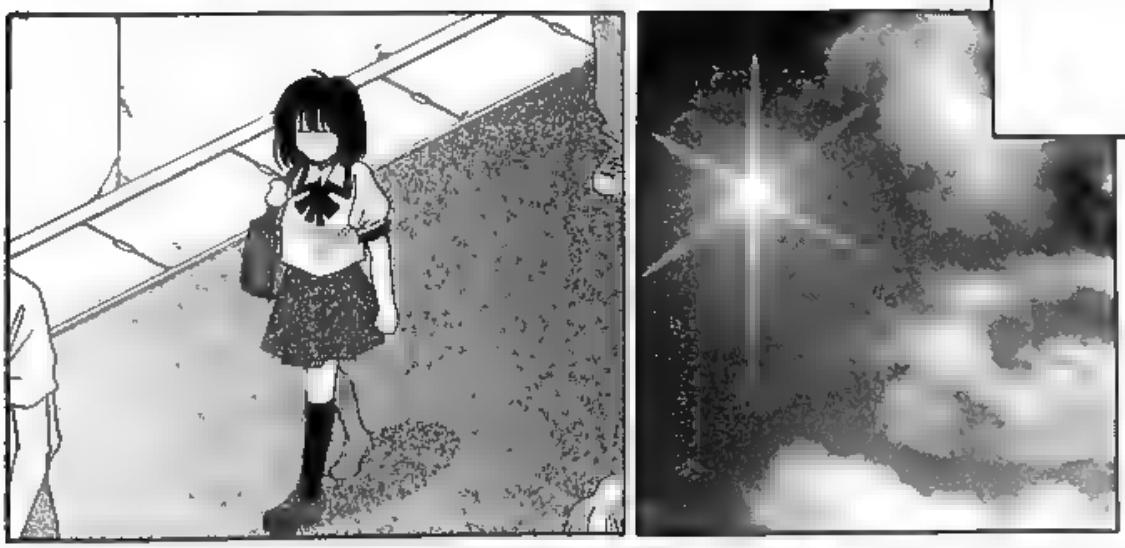

I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED
IS HE OKAY ? WAS THERE SOMETHING THAT
SHINO-CHAN
HE DIDN'T COME HOME LAST NIGHT

AH... YOU'RE...
I'M TAKAHASHI YORITOMO, SHINOBU'S BEST FRIEN...D!♡
MORNING!!
MOEKA-CHAN!!

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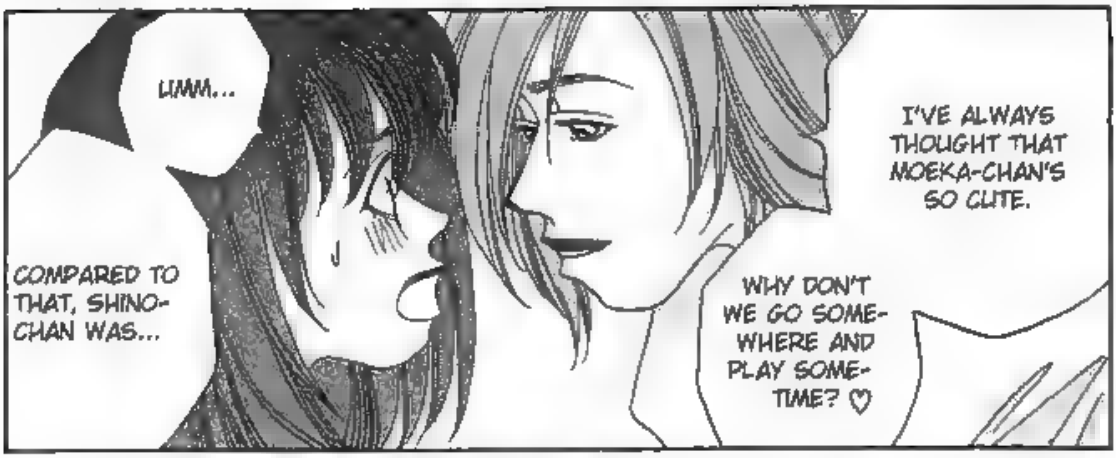
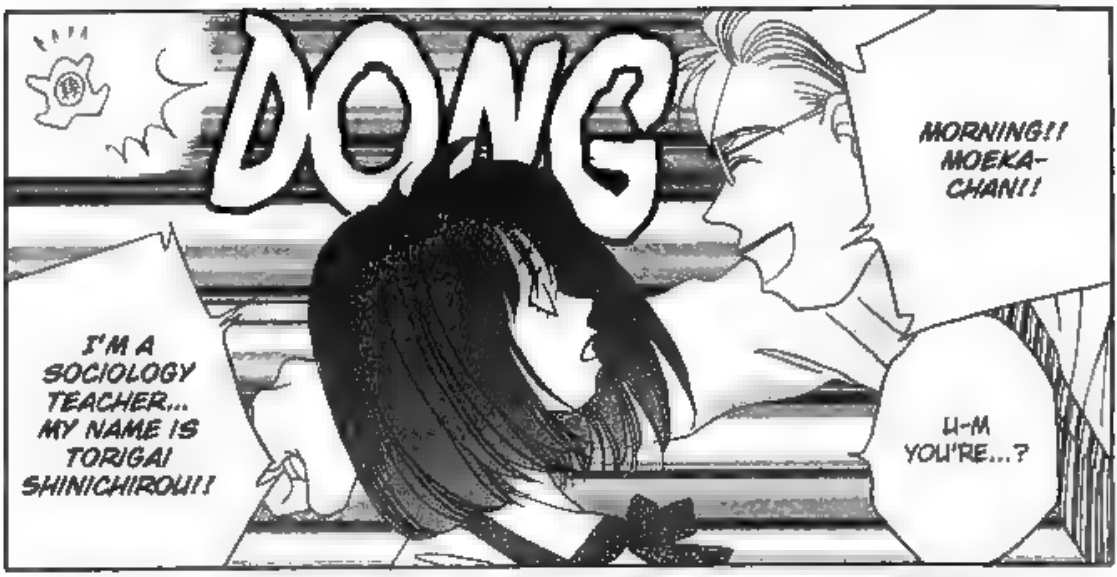

I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT MOEKA-CHAN'S SO CUTE.
WHY DON'T WE GO SOMEWHERE AND PLAY SOMETIME? ♡
UMM...
COMPARED TO THAT, SHINO-CHAN WAS...



free-e
SHINO-CHAN!!
I SE-E, SO YOU GUYS WERE DATING. ♡
WHAT THE... COMING TO-GETHER?
AH... SORRY, MY BAD.
MOM AND DAD WERE SO WORRIED.
WHAT HAPPENED LAST NIGHT!?
HUH, YOU'RE WITH MIFUYU-SENSE!...?
THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU I DIDN'T WANNA GO WITH YOU!!
WHY WERE YOU AT MY PLACE WHEN I WOKE UP THIS MORNING!?
NOT AGAIN... YOU'RE THE ONE WHO ASKED ME TO STAY.
HEY...
STOP!! DON'T SAY IT LIKE THAT!!

... HUH...?
... EH...
... SERI-OUSLY...? FOR REAL?
SHINO-CHAN, DID YOU AND MIFUYU-SENSEI...
DO THAT!?

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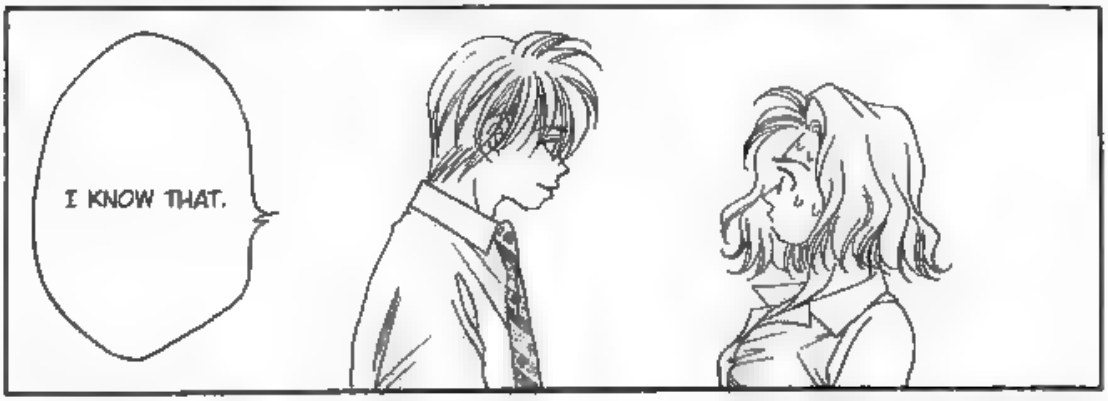

NAH, I WANT TO BE YOUR TOY!
PLEASE MAKE ME YOUR TOY!!
THAT'S WHY I WON'T MIND BEING YOUR TOY!
WITH JUST ONE NIGHT'S EFFORT...
SHINO-CHAN HAS BECOME AN ADULT...!!!

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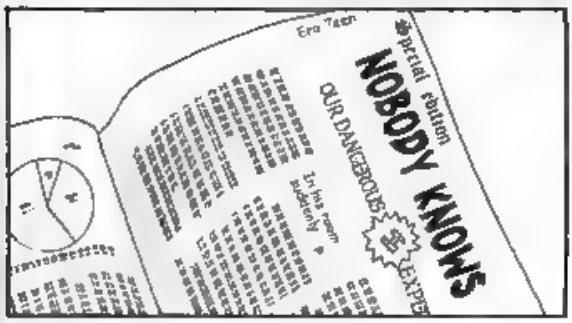
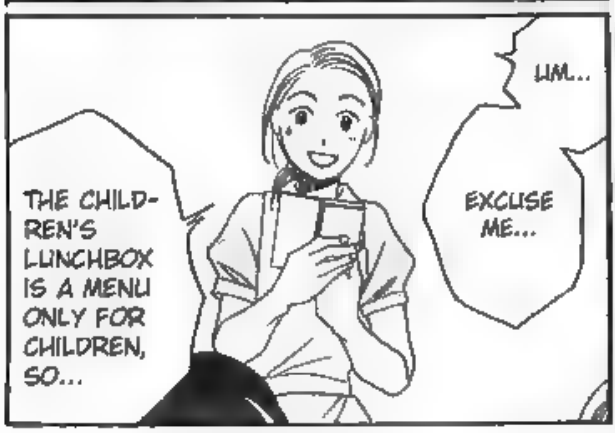


SHO
THE ONLY VIRGIN LEFT...
IS ME...!?
OOCH

TWO CHILDREN'S LUNCH-BOXES, PLEASE!!


UM...
EXCUSE ME...
THE CHILD-REN'S LUNCHBOX IS A MENU ONLY FOR CHILDREN, SO...

Family Restaurant
Genny's

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... I'M STILL A CHILD!!
THAT'S WHY, PLEASE GIVE US TWO CHILDREN'S LUNCHBOXES!!!
WE MADE THE PROMISE A LONG TIME AGO...
WHOEVER HAD SEX FIRST WOULD GET THE OTHER TO TREAT HIM/HER TO THE CHILDREN'S LUNCHBOX... ♡
I-I REMEMBER THAT...
... Y... YES...
I'VE GOT YOUR ORDER...
HEY,
HOW WAS IT? HOW DID IT FEEL!?
S-ECRET.
SO MEA-N! YOU'VE ALWAYS TOLD ME EVERYTHING THOUGH!!

SO DID IT FEEL GOOD?
THEN JUST GIMME SHINO-CHAN'S OPINION...!
YEP. ♡
GUYS WHO TALK CARELESSLY ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE'S PRIVACIES, ARE THE LOWEST.
BUT IN THIS CASE, SENSEI'S PRIVACY IS ALSO INVOLVED.
WELL, I CAN TELL YOU EVERYTHING ABOUT MYSELF...
APART FROM MY BUSINESS,
I HEARD THAT MOE-RIN HAD A DATE WITH YORITOMO?
I-I SEE...
SO EVERY-BODY'S DOING FUN STUFF LIKE THAT...
EVEN GIRLS FROM YOUR SCHOOL HAVE BEEN PLAYED BY HIM, TOO.
YOU BETTER BE CAREFUL.
EVEN THOUGH HE'S A COOL GUY, HE'S PURE EVIL WHEN IT INVOLVES GIRLS.
... REALLY...?
DATE?
?

---done THAT with quite a few girls from my school...
I-IS THAT SO...
... I see... so Yoritomo-kun has...

and now Yoritomo-kun is trying to date me...
... so that means most girls in my school should be experienced in that area...

THAT MEANS IT'S MY TURN NEXT!!
MY CHANCE OF BECOMING A REAL WOMAN HAS FINALLY ARRIVED...!!!

DING...
DONG
YORITOMO...
YOU'RE ON CLASS DUTY TODAY, RIGHT?
CAN YOU HELP ME CLEAN UP THE DATA ROOM?
SORRY TORI-CHAN, I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO DO TODAY.
WHAT!?
YOU ASSHOLE, WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING TO DO TO MOEKA-CHAN!?
I'VE GOT A DATE WITH MOEKA-CHAN...
GOT IT~ ♡
DASH D
ASH DASH
TORI-CHAN, WHAT ABOUT THE CLEAN-UP!?
WAIT UP!!
WHO'S IN THE MOOD FOR THAT!?
WHO'S GONNA LET YOU BE ALONE WITH MOEKA-CHAN ...!?

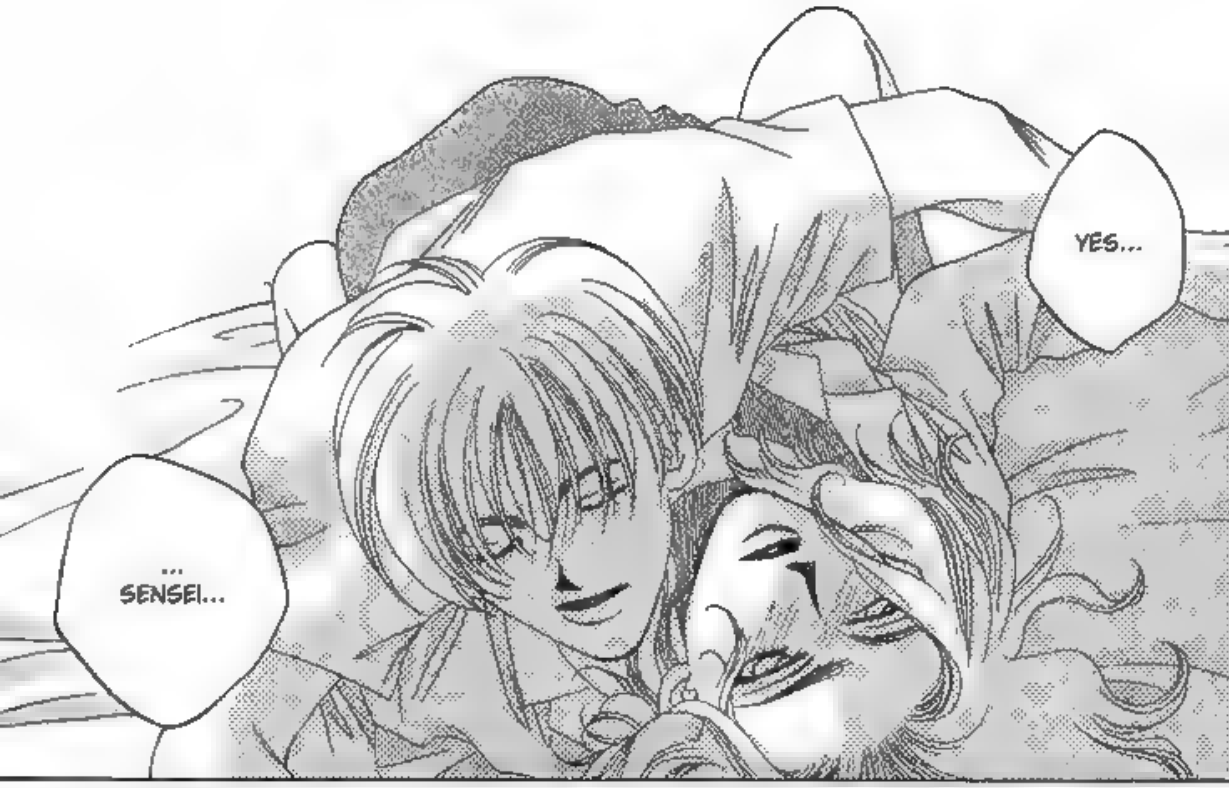
SENSEI...
YOU'RE NOT GOING HOME YE-T?
CHACK!
....!
GEEZ...

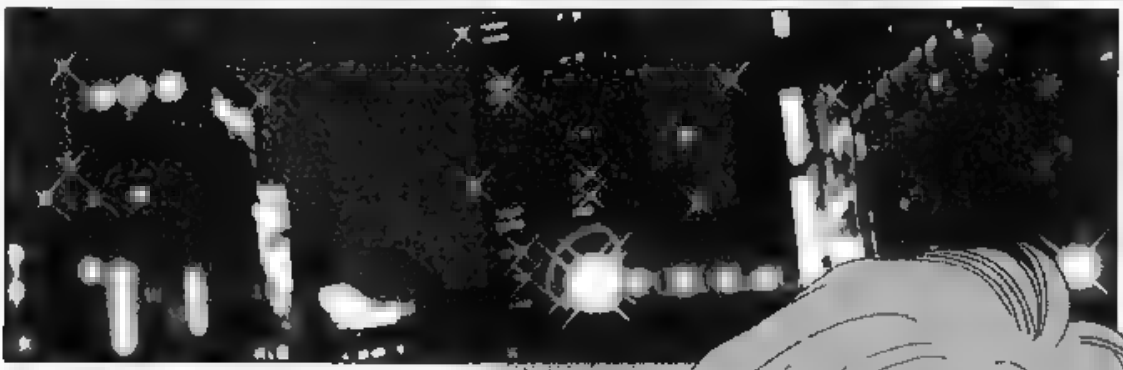
KIDS NOWA-DAYS.
WHY'D HE SAY THAT?
FLIP...
"After making love to you, I like you a billion times more now."
...!

YOUR TOY HAS ARRIVED. ♡
Don't use the bed without permission
WHAT...?
BECAUSE SENSEI LOOKED REALLY BORED.
PULL

... NO...
WAIT,
WAIT!

IF MY STOCKINGS GET TORN OFF, IT'D BE REALLY BAD ...
THAT'S WHY..
... CAN YOU DO IT...
... A BIT MORE SLOWLY...?


YES...
... SENSEI...



EH... YEAH.
SEE... THAT ENEMY ROLE WAS SO COOL...

HOW WAS THE MOVIE?
WAS IT FUN?

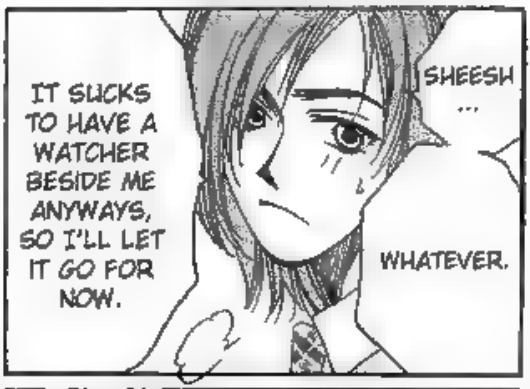
WHAT SHALL WE DO...
MAYBE PASTA OR SOME-THING?
AH...
I'LL LEAVE IT TO YORI-TOMO-KUN.
WHAT DO YOU WANNA EAT?
YOU'RE HUNGRY, RIGHT?
THIS AND THAT!!!
perverted thoughts
AND THEN HE'S GONNA DO.
E-EVEN THOUGH HE'S ACTING CALM, IN REALITY...
YORITOMO-KUN'S HEAD MUST BE FULL OF WHAT HE'S GONNA DO TO MY BODY!!
... AND FURTHER-MORE, HE'LL EVEN DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT!!
THAT HAS TO BE IT!
But to bring a [illegible] to a ramen-ya*
THAT'S WHAT THE NEWS-PAPER SAID!!
... BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT THE MAGAZINE SAID ABOUT GUYS!!
Ah but pork cakes too long to cook...
maybe chicken is better for now...

* She means the middle column of sports news.

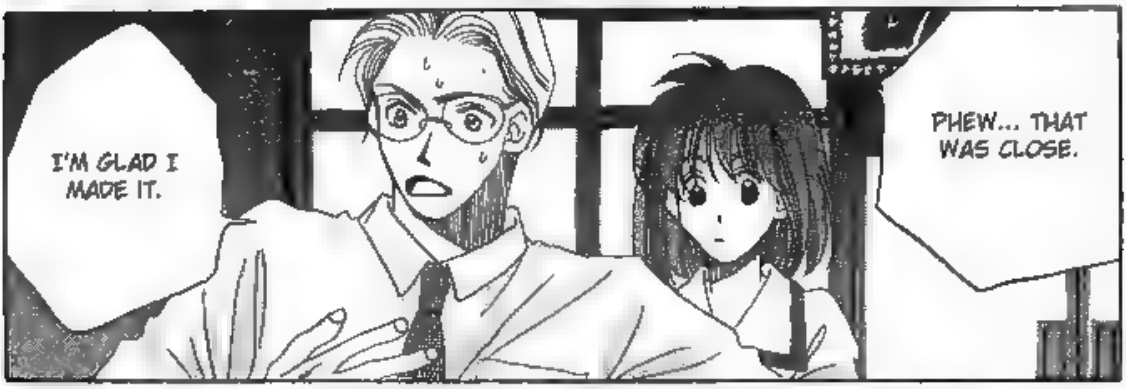
Translator's Note: * "Ramen-ya" means the small ramen bar
It's considered bad manners to make loud sounds while having meals in Japan.
However in some smaller bars, such as a "ramen-ya," which are intended for business men, the atmosphere is always much more lively. You hardly see any young girls there though ^^

I'LL JUST THINK OF IT AS SOME KIND OF TREATMENT THEY GIVE AT THE HOSPITAL...
... BUT I'LL BE FINE!!
... A TREATMENT FOR ME TO BECOME A REAL ADULT!!
I'VE FOUND YA, YORITOMO---!!!
TA—CKLES!
LEAVE MOEKA-CHAN ALON...E!!!
T-TORIGAI-SENSEI...?
WHAT TIME DO YOU THINK IT IS!?
HURRY AND GO HOME NOW!!
TORI-CHAN, YOU DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO INVADE MY PRIVATE LIFE!

Translator's note: *An "activity code" is kind of like a dress code that is used in high schools in North America. In Japan, the activity code is used to set rules such as curfews for underage students so that they won't do anything rashly



IF YOU DON'T LISTEN TO ME, YOU'LL BE SUS-PENDED!!!
DON'T FORGET THAT I'M ALSO IN CHARGE OF THE STUDENTS' ACTIVITY CODE*!
DON'T THREATEN YOUR STUDENT!!!



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WHY...!?
BECAUSE I WANT TO PROTECT YOU!
LOOK AT THESE PEOPLE WALKING IN THE STREETS ...!!
THERE'S NOT A SINGLE PERSON WHO SHINES AS BRIGHTLY AND PURELY AS YOU!!
Torigai's Vision
YOU'RE THE LAST ANGEL THAT HAS BEEN DIS-PATCHED TO EARTH!!!

.....
.....
.....
I WILL PROTECT YOU WITH MY LIFE!!!
HE'S "DANGEROUS" IN A DIFFERENT WAY THAN YORITOMO.
EVEN THOUGH HE'S REALLY NICE...
SOMEHOW, EVERYONE AROUND SHINO-CHAN IS LIKE THAT.
.. TORI-CHAN, HUH?
THAT PERSON IS KINDA ON THE EXTREME SIDE TOO, Y'KNOW?
HA-----H.
CAN I REALLY BECOME AN ADULT SOON...?

TWINS

I WANNA ASK HER THAT MYSELF.
HMM...
BUT...
FEEL IT, TOO...?
SO DOES MIFUYU-SENSEI...
HOW ABOUT YOU, SHINO-CHAN?
DO YOU STILL MAKE LOVE TO MIFUYU-SENSEI?
YEP...
I CAN FEEL IT PERFECTLY.
♡
... I SEE...
... so everyone is like that, huh?
I want to...
feel something like that, too...

SENSEI,
YOU'RE BECOMING MORE AND MORE SEXY LATELY... ♡
YEP, YEP!
EH...
WHAT, YOU TWO ...
IS IT BECAUSE YOU HAVE SEX WITH SHINO-CHAN OFTEN?
WHAT'S THAT FOR!?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT SHINOBU-KUN IS TELLING YOU, BUT FOR ME IT ISN'T LIKE THAT...

CAN YOU FEEL IT WHEN YOU HAVE SEX WITH SHINO-CHAN?
SO, SENSEI!!
HE SAID HE WON'T TALK ABOUT SENSEI'S PRIVACY.
BUT SHINO-CHAN WON'T TALK ABOUT MIFUYU-SENSEI WITH ME...
I-IS THAT SO...
♡ SHINO-CHAN SAID HE CAN FEEL IT PERFECTLY.
IF I DON'T ASK SENSEI, I WON'T KNOW...
EH, BECAUSE ...
... MOEKA-CHAN, YOU...
... DID I SAY SOMETHING I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO?
HUH,
sensei!! take it easy!!
FAINT...
.....
.....

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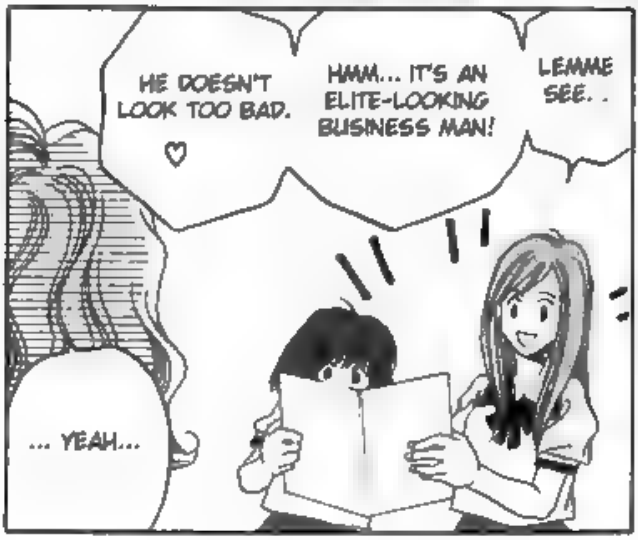
.....
.....
THOUGH IF SENSEI TELLS ME TO, I WILL GO UP.
SO YOU DON'T INTEND TO COME UP TO MY ROOM THIS TIME...?
I WON'T DO IT WITH YOU THIS TIME!
DEFINITELY NOT!!
OKAY. ♡
... JUST TO HAVE TEA, OKAY ...?
OKAY. ♡

WHY
DID I END UP LIKE THIS ?

UMM..
MY MOTHER SUDDENLY TALKED TO ME ABOUT IT, AND...

EH---
AN ARRANGED MARRIAGE!?

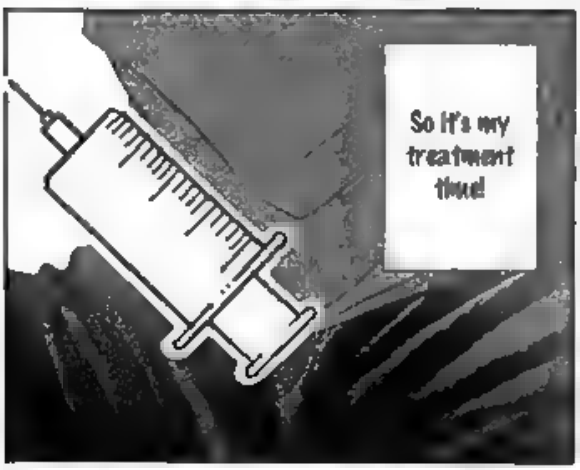

LEMME SEE..
HMM... IT'S AN ELITE-LOOKING BUSINESS MAN!
HE DOESN'T LOOK TOO BAD. ♡
... YEAH...

... I DON'T HAVE THE COURAGE TO BE SERIOUS WITH THAT BOY...
BUT IF I'M EVER BETRAYED BY A BOY LIKE SHINOBU-KUN... I'D NEVER BE ABLE TO RECOVER.
I WON'T MIND MUCH IF I WAS BETRAYED BY A PLAYBOY,
BUT... BUT...
WHAT ABOUT SHINO-CHAN!?
NO WAY...
YOUR AGE IS THE MOST FEARLESS TIME OF ONE'S LIFE.
THE OLDER YOU GET, THE LESS COURAGEOUS YOU BECOME!
BUT... BUT...
... ONCE HE'S SERIOUS ABOUT SOME-THING,
SHINO-CHAN, HE...
HE'S NEVER GONNA GIVE UP...

sigh—...
AH...
NOPE.
IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE BEEN ALONE WITH A BOY, SO...
WHAT'S WRONG, YOU DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE IN MY ROOM?
OH I SEE.
BECAUSE THE LIVING SPACE AT HOME IS QUITE LIMITED,
EVEN NOW I STILL SHARE A ROOM WITH SHINO-CHAN.

BECAUSE ...
EVEN THOUGH WE'RE TWINS, WE CAME FROM TWO EGGS AND...
I SEE.
... MOEKA-CHAN AND SHINOBU ARE NOT THAT ALIKE... APPEAR-ANCE-WISE.
BUT PER-SONALITY-WISE,
YOU GUYS ARE REALLY TWINS...
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN...?
YOU THINK WE'RE BOTH VERY CHILDISH?
.....
.....

after me.
Y... Yoritomo-kun is...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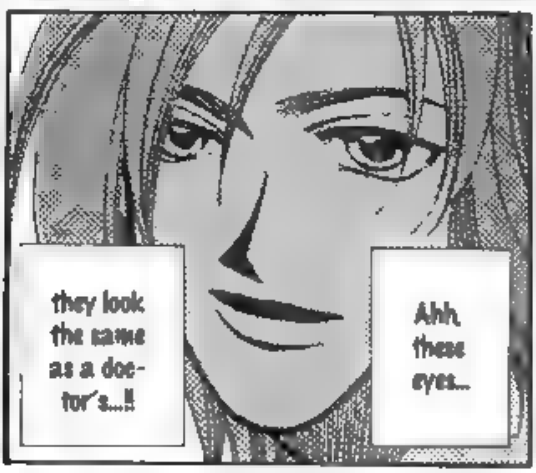

they look the same as a doctor's...!!
Ahh, these eyes...

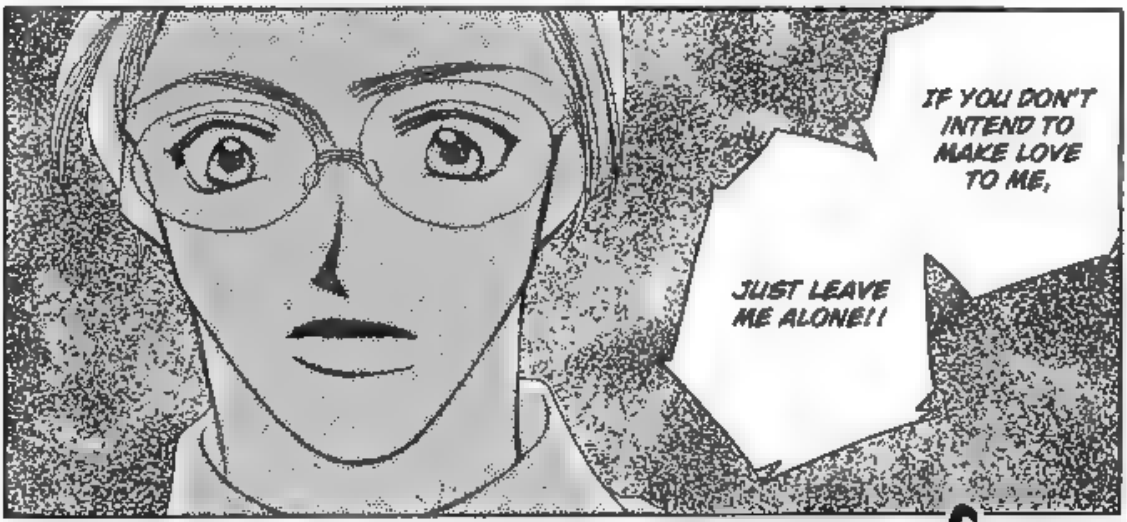
I'm going to be treated...!!!

RUNNING
WHO THE HECK IS IT... AT A TIME LIKE THIS!?
.....
H-ELLO!!
I'M HERE TO CLEAN THE WHITE ANTS IN THE HOUSE!!

THAT'S WHY I CAME FOR A VISIT!!
SOMEHOW I FELT ANXIOUS ALL OF A SUDDEN!!
.....
GRAB
SO I'M FOUND OUT.
WHATCHA DOING!?
WHENEVER YOU PLAN SOMETHING EVIL,
THE SIGNALS IN MY HEAD AUTOMATICALLY GO OFF!!
... HOW CAN YOU BE SO SNEAKY...?
AH,
MOEKA-CHAN!!!
.....
I'M... LEAVING.

HOW CAN YOU FOLLOW A GUY TO HIS ROOM SO CASUALLY!?
YOU SHOULD BE MORE CAREFUL...
MOEKA-CHAN!!
EHH!?
N-NO WAY!!!
ARE YOU AFTER MY BODY?
TORIGAI-SENSEI...
THEN JUST LEAVE ME ALONE!!!
.....

I'M TRYING TO BE AN ADULT...!!
AND I'M TRYING REALLY HARD TO CATCH UP TO EVERYONE!!


IF YOU DON'T INTEND TO MAKE LOVE TO ME,
JUST LEAVE ME ALONE!!

depressed...
... OH NO...
YORITOMO-VIRUS HAS ALREADY CAUGHT UP TO HER...!

RUNS

EHH...!?
YOU WENT TO ARITO-MO-KUN'S HOUSE!?
I SEE...
phew
THAT'S GOOD.
A-AND THEN!?
WHAT HAP-PENED!?
NOTHING.
JUST LIKE NORMAL, TORI-GAI-SENSEI CAME TO INTERRUPT...
WELL...
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT...
HE'S PRETTY SERIOUS ABOUT YOU, HUH?
BUT THAT SENSEI IS WORKING REALLY HARD...

.....
EH!?
TOUKO-CHAN, HOW WAS YOUR FIRST TIME?
UMM...
Thump
Thump
Thump
.....
.....
.....
TOUKO-CHAN?
.....
.....
NOPE!
... YOU WON'T TELL ANYONE THIS?
... I HAVEN'T...
HAD MY FIRST TIME YET...

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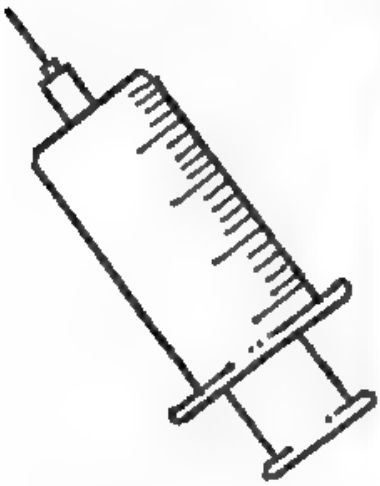

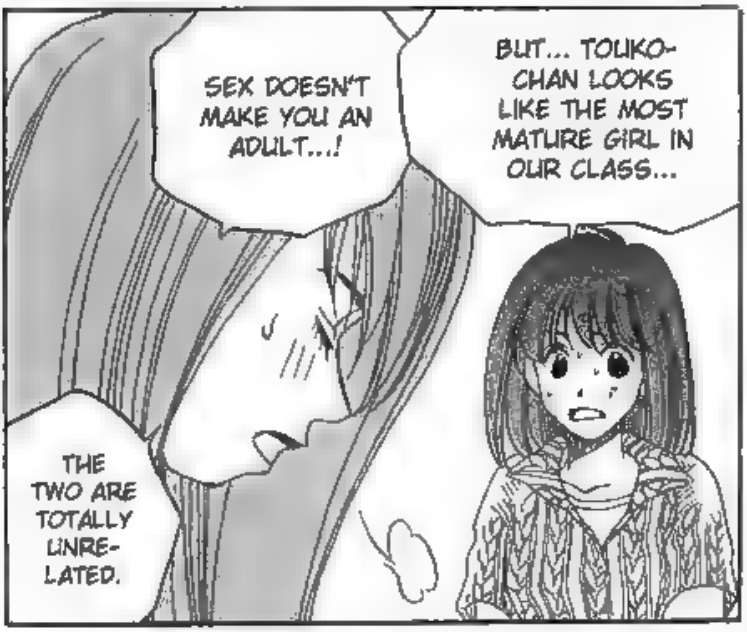

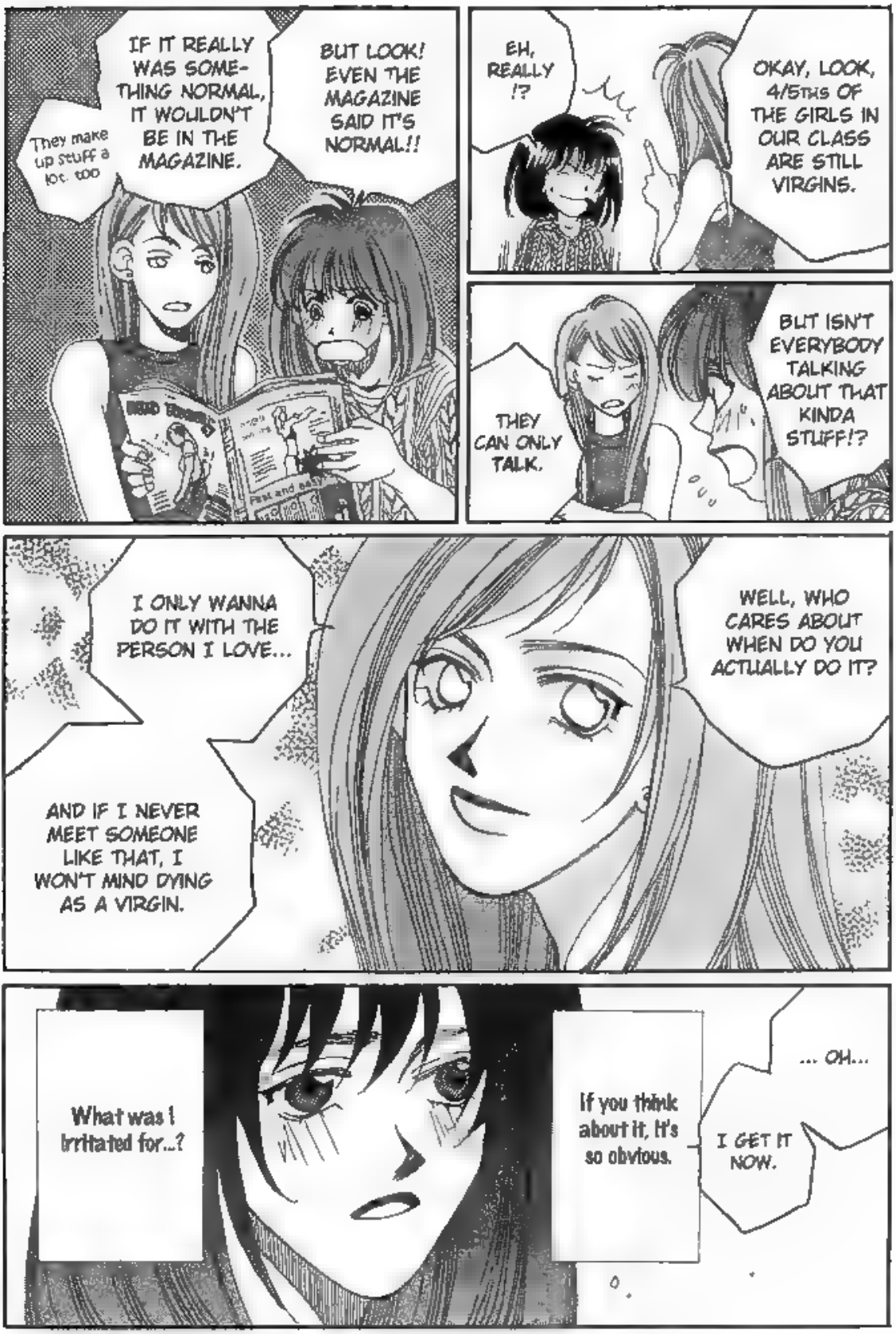
They make up stuff a lot, too
IF IT REALLY WAS SOMETHING NORMAL, IT WOULDN'T BE IN THE MAGAZINE.
BUT LOOK! EVEN THE MAGAZINE SAID IT'S NORMAL!!
EH, REALLY!?
OKAY, LOOK, 4/5THS OF THE GIRLS IN OUR CLASS ARE STILL VIRGINS.
THEY CAN ONLY TALK.
BUT ISN'T EVERYBODY TALKING ABOUT THAT KINDA STUFF!?
I ONLY WANNA DO IT WITH THE PERSON I LOVE...
AND IF I NEVER MEET SOMEONE LIKE THAT, I WON'T MIND DYING AS A VIRGIN.
WELL, WHO CARES ABOUT WHEN DO YOU ACTUALLY DO IT?
What was I irritated for...?
If you think about it, it's so obvious.
... OH...
I GET IT NOW.

... I SEE...
So I am really...
a child after all...

U-MM.
THERE'S NO MORE STUFF TO BRING... OKAY.

SHINO-
BU-KUN!?
!?
BANG
I HEARD ABOUT IT FROM MOE-RIN!!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY AN AR-RANGED MARRIAGE!?
WAIT...
...! THAT ATTIRE...
I GET IT!!
UMM SHINOBU-KUN,
ABOUT THAT...

OH—NO
YOU CAN'T GO!!
KYA...!
I WON'T LET YOU GO!!

WHY WON'T YOU WAIT FOR ME FOR AT LEAST 10 TO 20 YEARS!?
S... SHINO-BU-KUN ...
LOOK... LISTEN...
I'LL BE AN EVEN MORE FAMOUS PERSON IN JAPAN IN THE FUTURE!!
SO WHAT IF HE'S AN ELITE BUSINESS-MAN!?

AH...
AH...
.....!
... EH?
A TEA CEREMONY?

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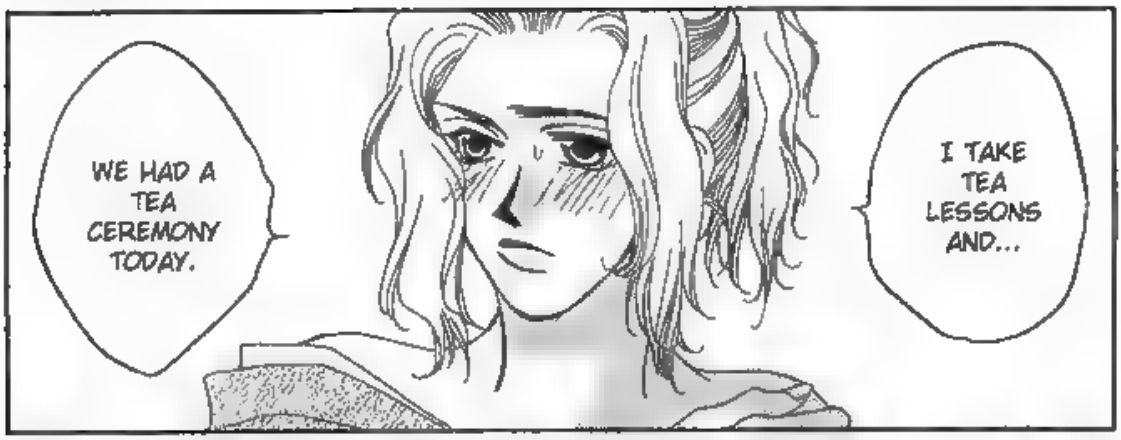

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... SENSEI,
I'LL DEFINITELY BECOME A MAN WHO MAKES YOU PROUD...
SO WAIT FOR ME PATIENTLY,
OKAY?
... GEEZ. .
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
YOU'LL BE EVEN MORE MATURE BY THEN..
AND I'LL PROBABLY BE EVEN CRAZIER ABOUT YOU...
... I'M 10 YEARS OLDER THAN YOU THOUGH...?
I'D BE AN OLD WOMAN IN NO TIME...

IF YOU DARE TO BETRAY ME...
I'LL KILL YOU.
.....
.....
THAT IS..
A CONFES-SION OF LOVE, RIGHT?
♡

THANKS FOR THE MEAL...
empty

WE HAVE CHEMISTRY NEXT.
IT'S IN THE CHEM ROOM, RIGHT?

YEP.
YOU GO AHEAD.
I'M ON CLASS DUTY THIS WEEK, SO I'VE GOTTA LOCK THE DOOR FIRST...

YORI-TOMO-KUN, WHAT'S WRONG?
WELL... ACTUALLY...

MOEKA-CHA...N!

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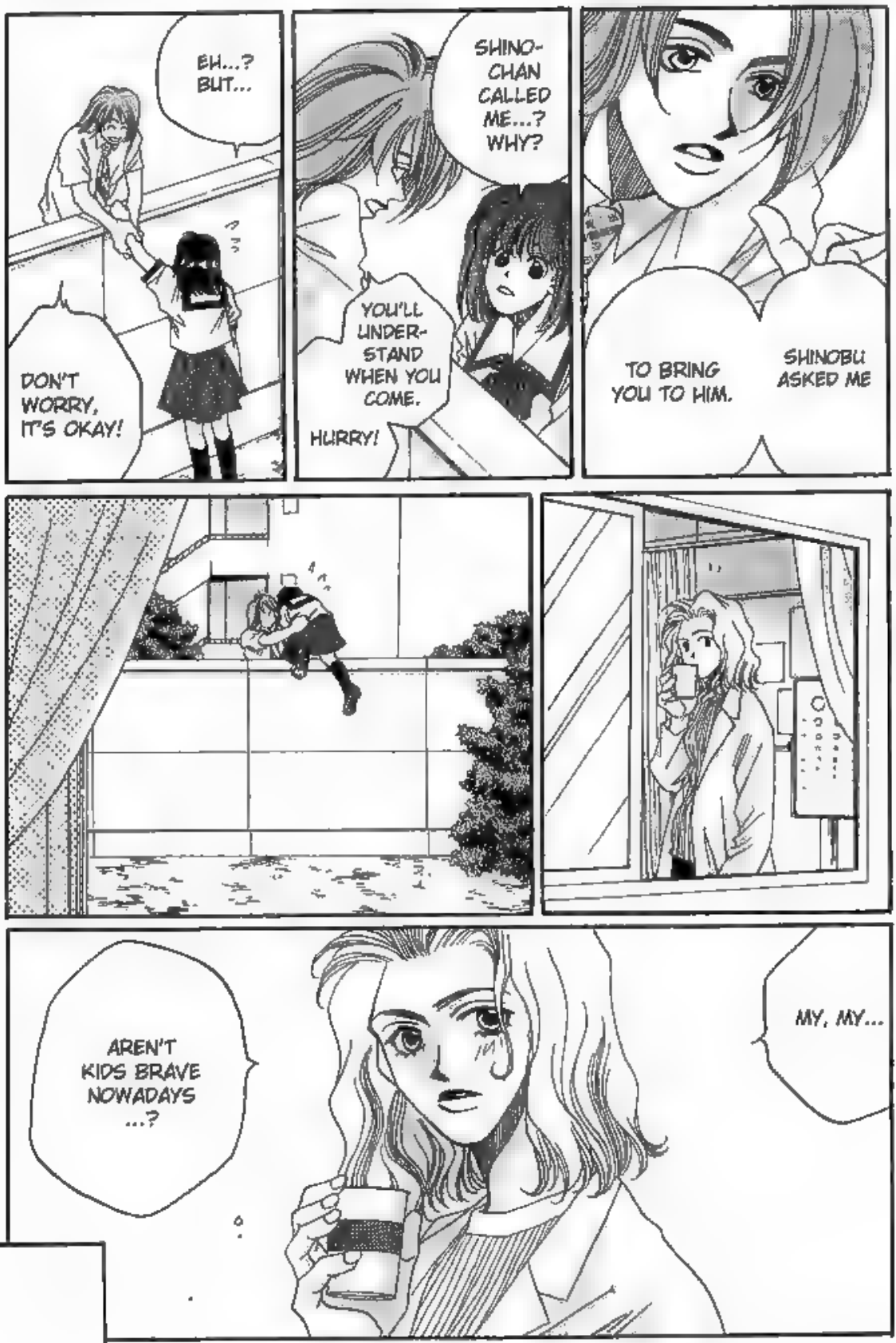
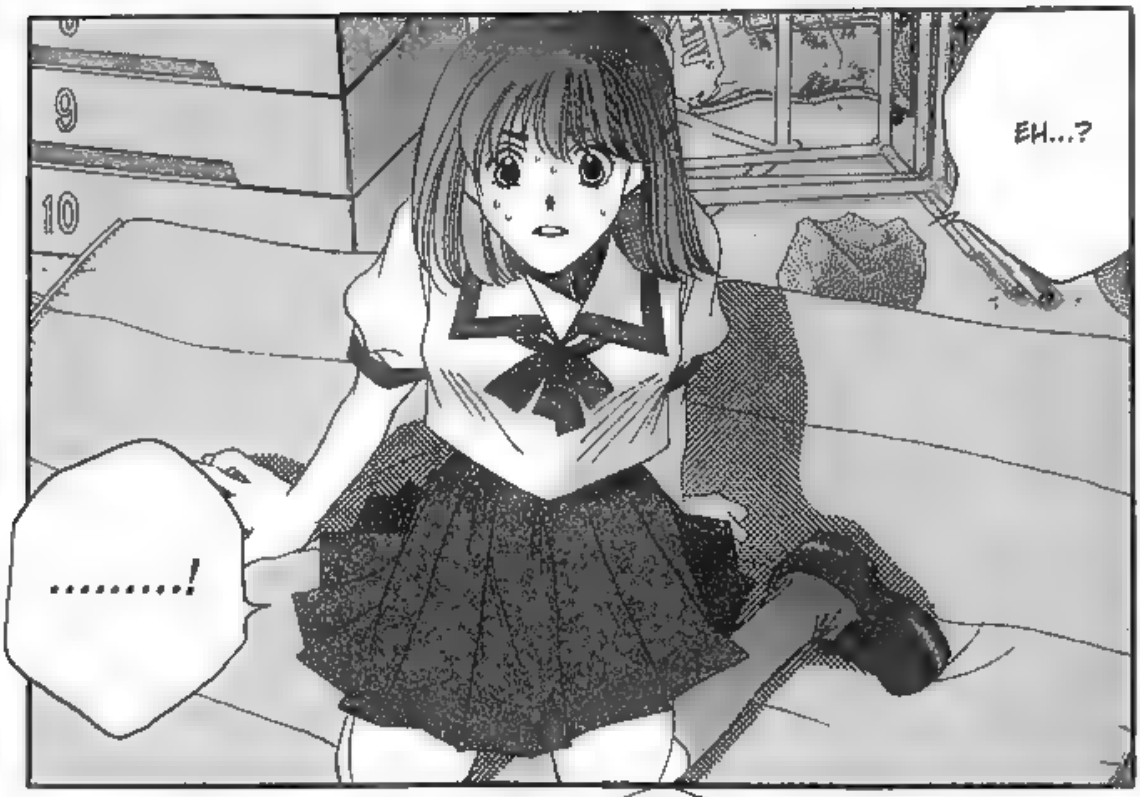


I WAS KI...DDING.
WHERE'S SHINO-CHAN...?
...?
AND THAT'S WHEN I THOUGHT OF AN IDEA...
AREN'T WE ALWAYS INTERRUPTED BY TORI-CHAN...?
EH...?
WHEN TORI-CHAN IS TEACHING.
♡
WE'LL JUST DO IT...


EH...?
.....!

... HMM?
WHERE'S YORITOMO?
HE WAS HERE AT LUNCH THOUGH...
OKAY, LET'S START THE LESSON...

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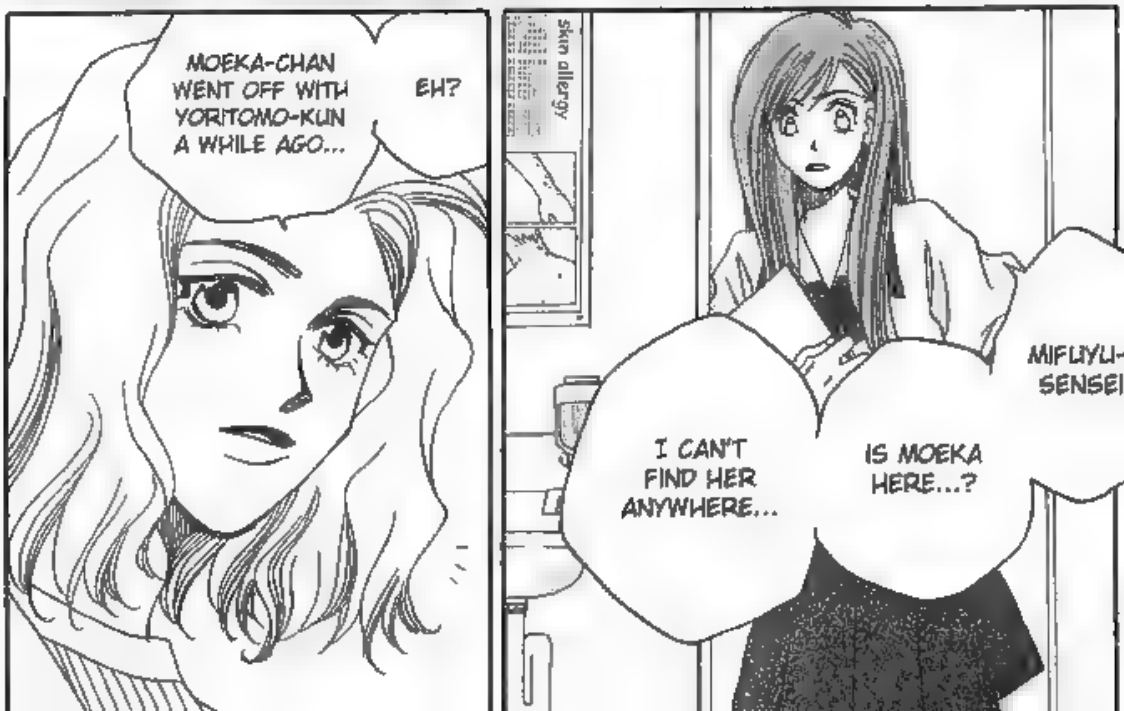
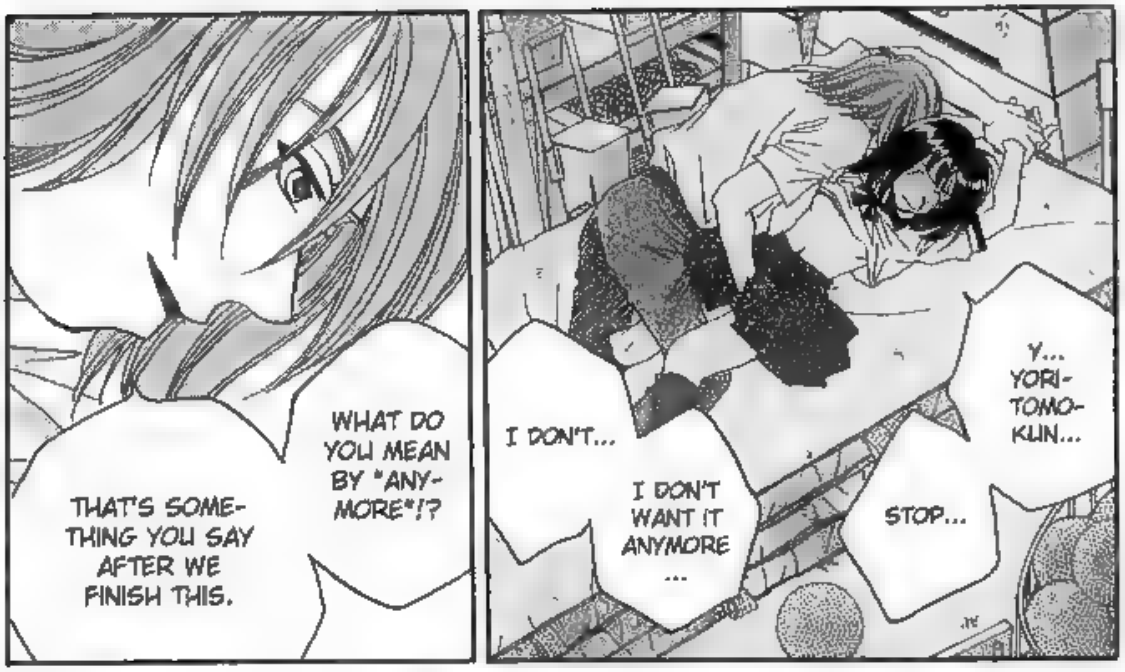


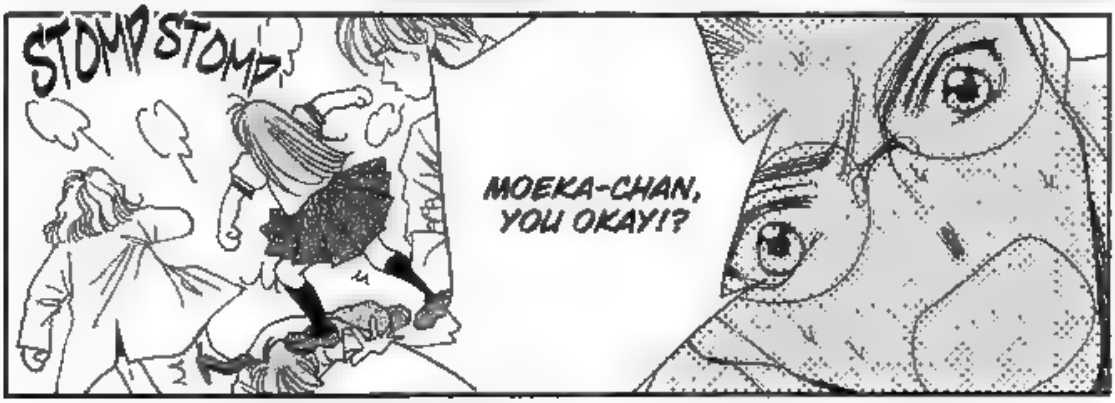
WHY DIDN'T YOU HELP HER!?
EH? I THOUGHT THEY WERE DATING...
OF COURSE NOT!!
SHE WAS BROUGHT NEXT DOOR!?
WE GOTTA HELP HER...
LET'S GO IN THERE, TOO!!
I KNOW THE PLACE HE USUALLY GOES!!
LET'S GO...
SO YORITOMO GOT MOE-RIN AFTER ALL...!
MIFUYU-SENSE!!!
SHINOBU-KUN...!

STEP
STEP
STEP
STEP
STEP
STEP


THAT'S SOMETHING YOU SAY AFTER WE FINISH THIS.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY "ANYMORE"!?
I DON'T...
I DON'T WANT IT ANYMORE...
STOP...
Y... YORITOMO-KUN...

NO...!
HELP ME, SHINO-CHAN!!
TOUKO-CHAN!! MIFUYU-SENSEI!!
.....!
NO...!!
... TORIGAI-SENSEI---!!

BA
NG
SMASH


STOMP STOMP
MOEKA-CHAN, YOU OKAY!?

DON'T TELL ME YOU'VE ALREADY...!?
M-MOEKA-CHAN!?
... NG...
OF COURSE NOT YET!

TORIGAI-SENSEI IS SO SLOW...
GEEZ...
... WHEN YOU'RE THE MOST NEEDED...
sniff sniff sniff

AH...
AH...
UMM...
.....
SORRY!
HUG!

I FEEL SO HOT DEEP INSIDE OF MY BODY...
IS THIS HOW EVERY-BODY ELSE "FEELS"...?
SHINOBU, YOU...
WHEN DID YOU BECOME TORI-CHAN'S ALLY!?
NO...T REALLY...
I'M ONLY ON THE RIGHT PER-SON'S SIDE.

EH?
WE ARE ALL LOVEY-DOVEY... ♡
HOW ARE YOU AFTER THAT...?
WITH TORI-CHAN AND ALL THAT?
NOT YET...
TORI-CHAN SAID HE'D WAIT UNTIL AFTER WE GET MARRIED.
HOW ABOUT THAT...? HAVE YOU DONE IT?

LOVEY-DOVEY...!
... AND HOW ABOUT YOU SHINO-CHAN ...?
AH, THAT'S GOOD.
THEN LET'S GET MARRIED TOGET-HER...
A DOUBLE MARRIAGE FOR THE TWINS. ♡
MY GOAL IS TO GET MARRIED AFTER 10 YEARS... ♡
EVEN THOUGH I WANT TO EARLIER, BUT I HAVE TO BECOME A RELIABLE MAN FIRST BEFORE I COME FOR SENSEI.
AH, SENSEI... ♡ MORNING... ♡
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS TALKING ABOUT?
WHAT, WHAT...?
YOU WEREN'T TALKING ABOUT SOME-THING BAD, WERE YOU?

HEY... LET GO OF MY HAND...
IT'S SO EMBAR-RASSING!!
... EH?
OH WELL, THAT'S OKAY ♡
.. TO BE A VIRGIN FOR ANOTHER 10 YEARS HUH?
WHY DON'T WE GET TOGETHER SINCE WE'VE BEEN LEFT OUT...?
... I'LL STEP ON YOU.

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DON'T
STOP
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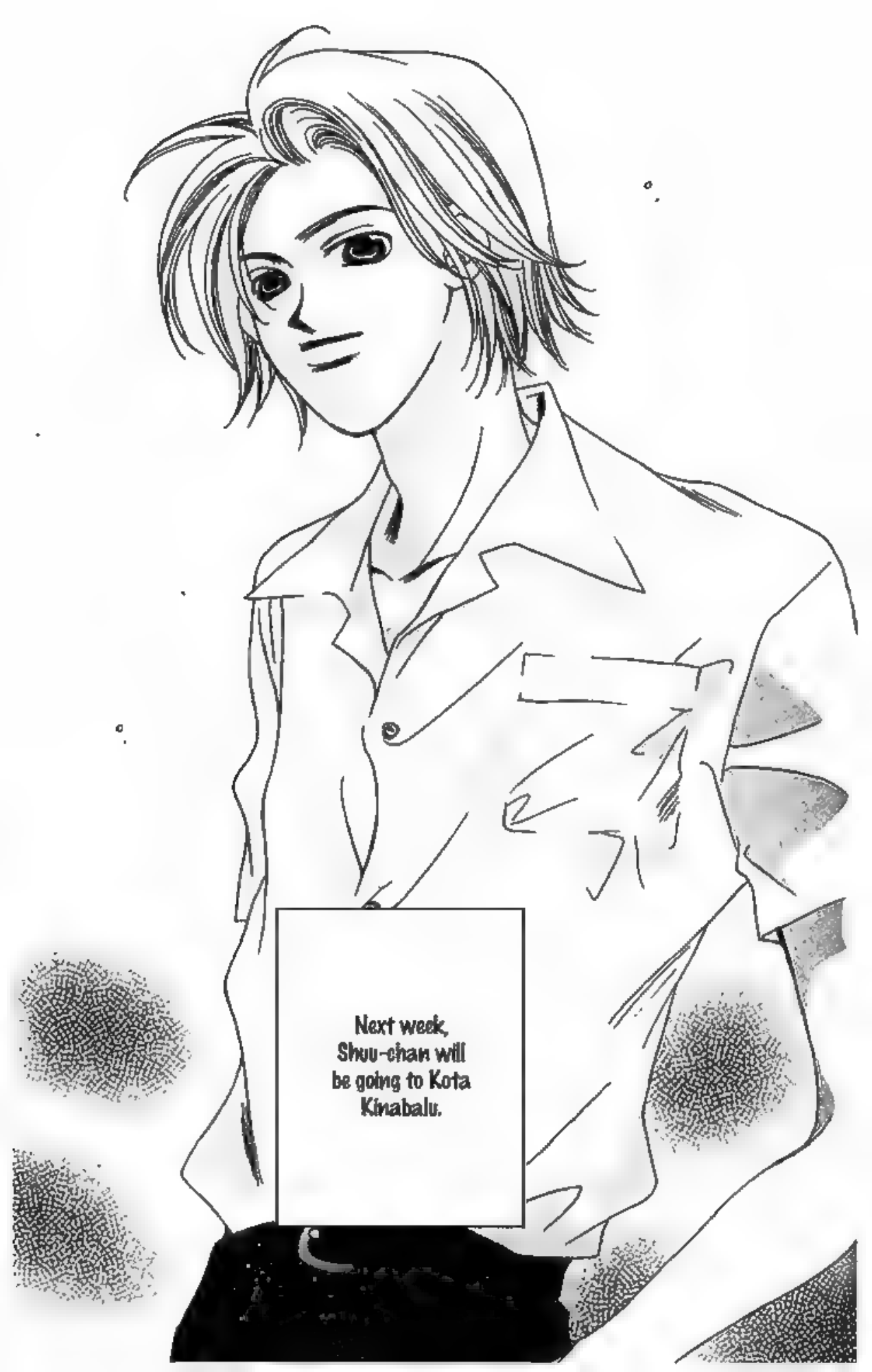
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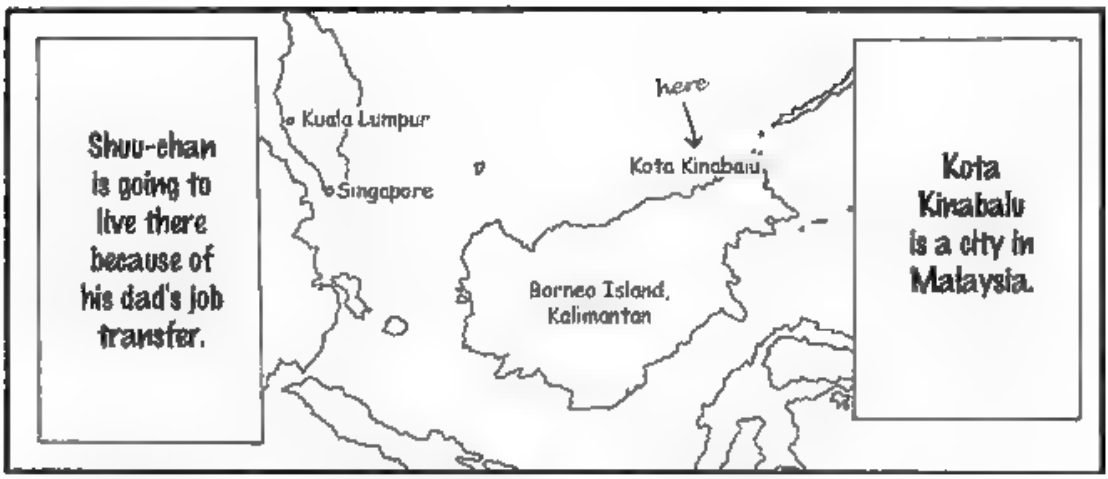
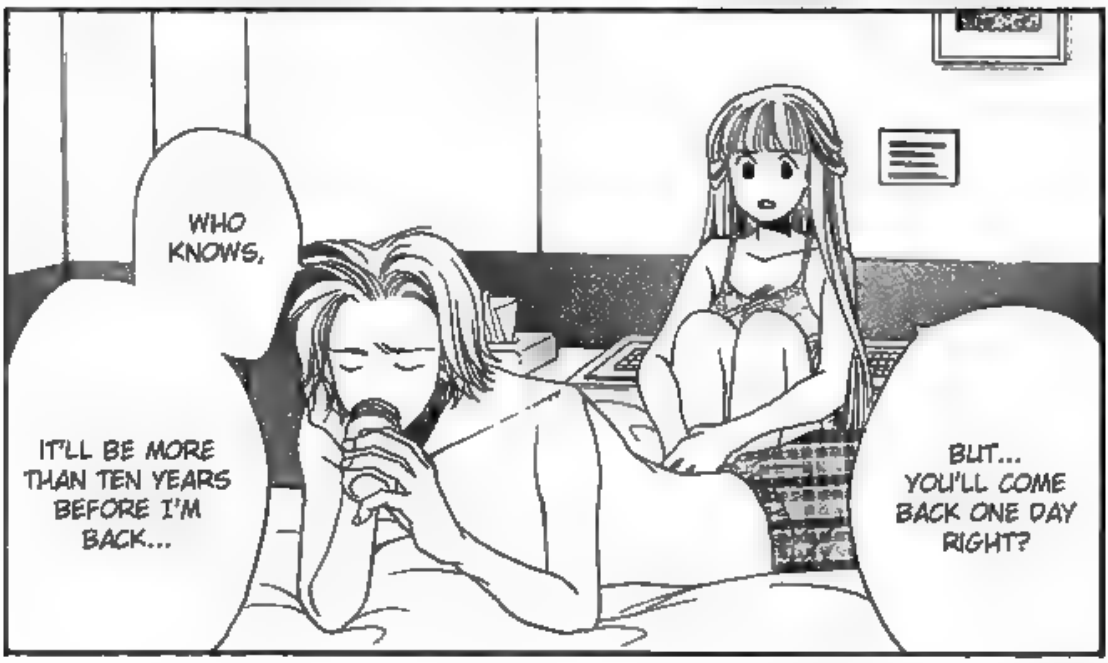

Shuu-chan is going to live there because of his dad's job transfer.
Kuala Lumpur
Singapore
here
Kota Kinabalu
Borneo Island, Kalimantan
Kota Kinabalu is a city in Malaysia.



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AH.
IT WAS MY DREAM TO MARRY YOU THOUGH...
I'M SORRY, MINAMI.
YEAH ...
Even though it'd be really lonely, there's only one thing we can do now.
LET'S HAVE A LOT OF FUN AND MAKE THE BEST MEMORIES...
SO WE'LL NEVER FORGET THE TIME WE HAD TOGETHER.

BOO-
NOT DARK MEMORIES LIKE THIS THOUGH...
YEP YEP,
LET'S MAKE TONS OF GOOD MEMORIES THEN.
♡
AT THE BALL GAME FESTIVAL,
LET'S TRY OUR BEST AND WIN.
♡
Hah!
Focus your weight on your right foot. .
Ha!
Use the racket and draw a perfect circle.
Hah!
BALL GAME...
YEP YEP,
SWING
SWING
LET'S DO OUR BEST...
OH YEAH, THERE WAS SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

BANG
Shou-chan and I have a table tennis doubles game.
It's almost time for the annual ball game festival at our school.
WE'LL BE SO LONELY !!
YOU'RE GONNA TRANSFER TO ANOTHER SCHOOL BY THE END OF THIS TERM?
NAKAGAWA-KUN, WE HEARD THAT ...

KOTA KINABALU.
YEP YEP, KOTA KINABALU.
Where's that?
DON'T BE SO ARROGANT
UMM, WHERE WAS IT AGAIN?
KOTAKINA... SOMETHING.
That's why I was really, really happy when he confessed to me, but I was really surprised too.
He's also very popular among girls.
Shuu-chan is really handsome, and he's nice and funny.

I felt that I wasn't a suitable girlfriend for him.
WELL... YEAH...
That's why we kept our relationship as a secret.
What a surprise
NAKAGAWA-KUN, ARE YOU PLAYING DOUBLES WITH KAJIWARA-SAN?
Why would a person like Shuu-chan...
fall in love with an ordinary girl like me..?
Imaginary opponent
Isn't Kajiwara-san really slow?
Er, I don't think so.
But...

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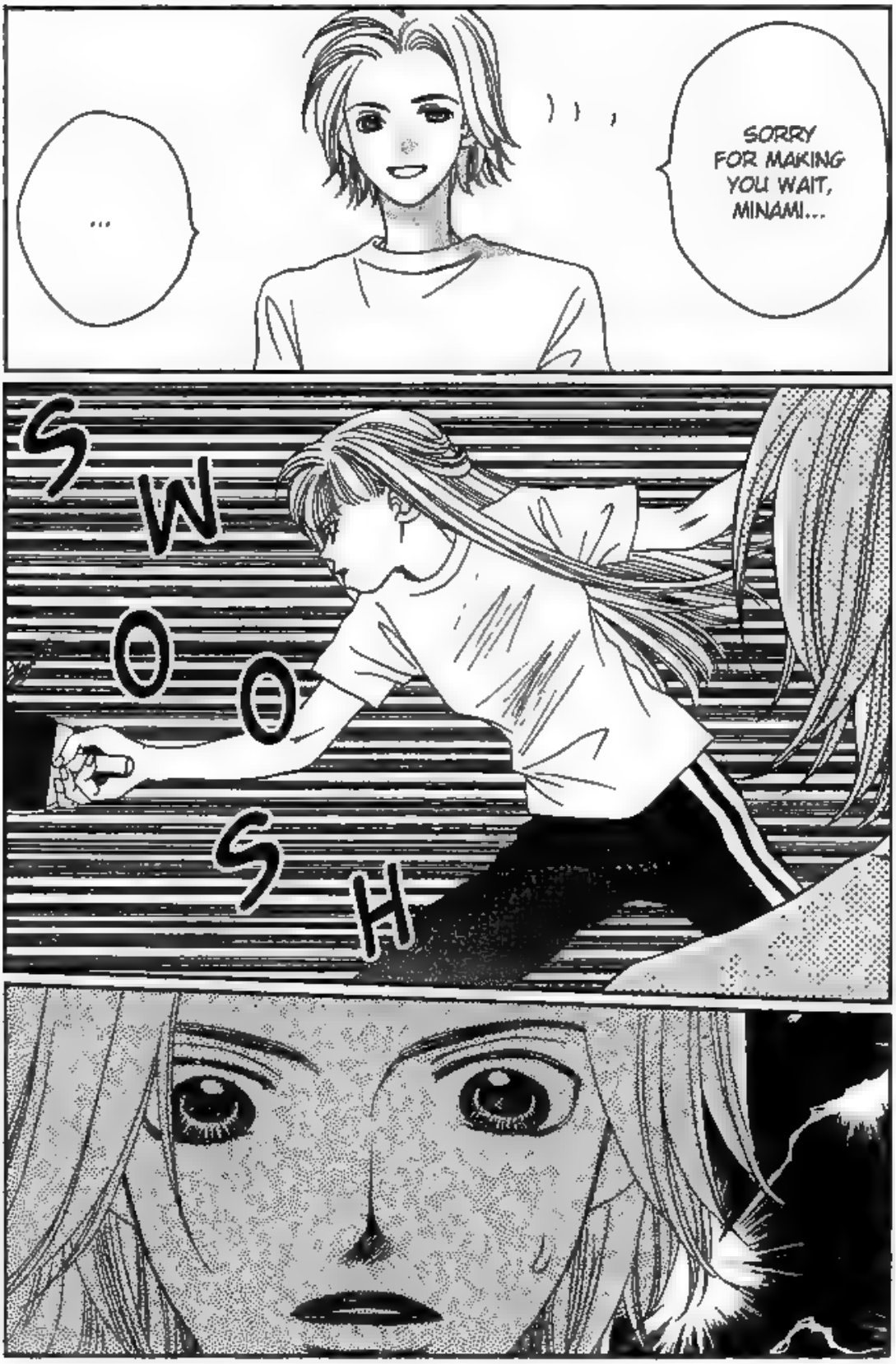
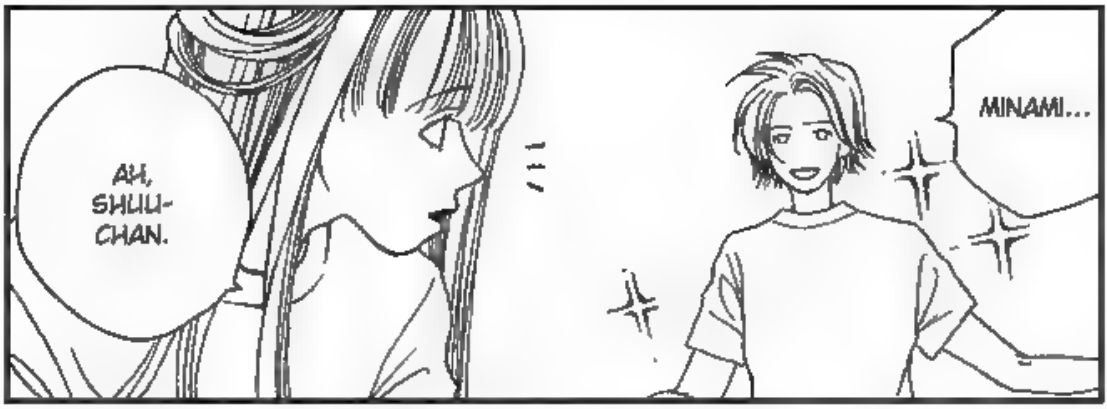
GANG
EVERYTHING HAS ALREADY COME TO AN END!
IN FRONT OF EVERY-ONE...
I WANT TO SHOW THEM THE BEST FINALE BETWEEN US!!
Kota Kinabalu
Kalimantan Island


...
SORRY FOR MAKING YOU WAIT, MINAMI...
SWOOSH

WHAT A PERFECT FORM...!!

One Vs One
BANG
BANG
I THOUGHT THE BALL GAME FESTIVAL WAS KINDA STUPID,
YET MINAMI... YOU WORKED SO HARD. .

AMAZING ...
SINCE WHEN DID YOU BECOME SO SKILLED, MINAMI!?


AH, SHUU-CHAN.
MINAMI...

IT'S OUR... LAST MEMORY, RIGHT?
I'LL PRACTICE SERIOUSLY TOO.

YEP.
LET'S WORK HARD!!
SHUU-CHAN!!

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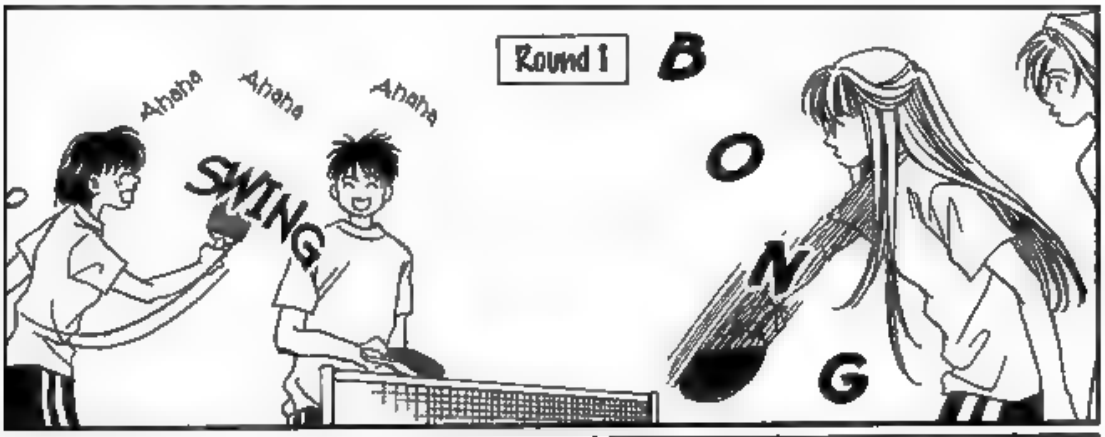
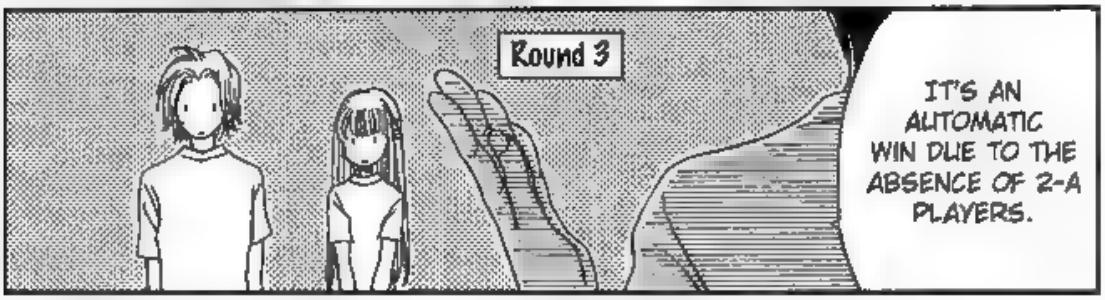
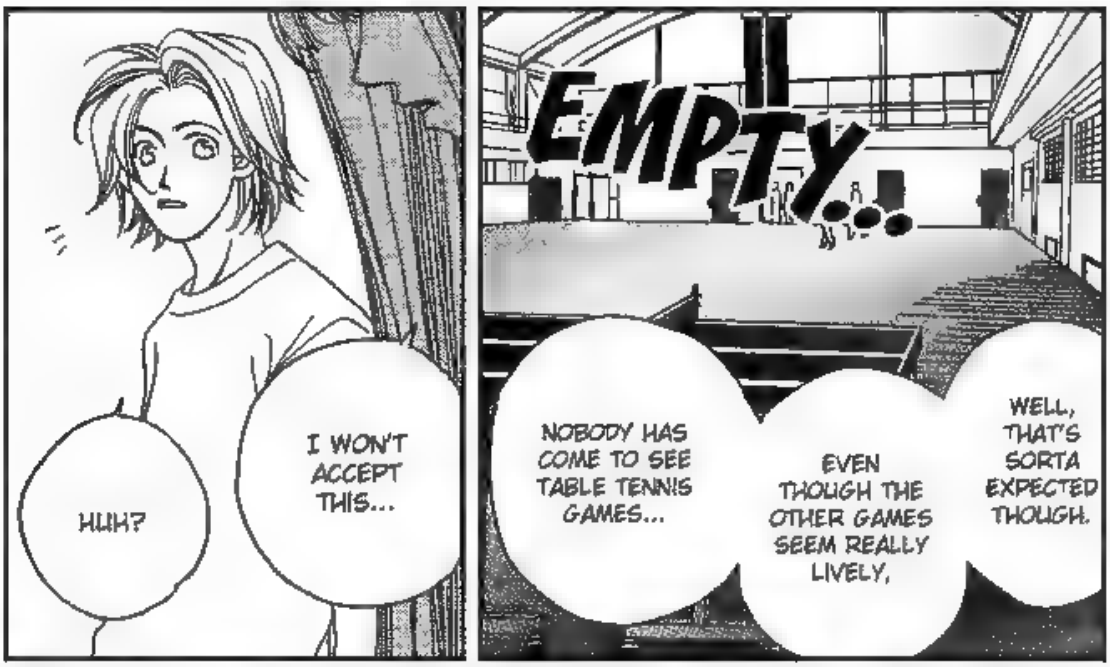

Round 1
Ahaha
Ahaha
Ahaha
SWING
B
O
N
G

Round 2
EH? WE HAVE TO HIT THE BALL ALTERNATELY?
We never heard...

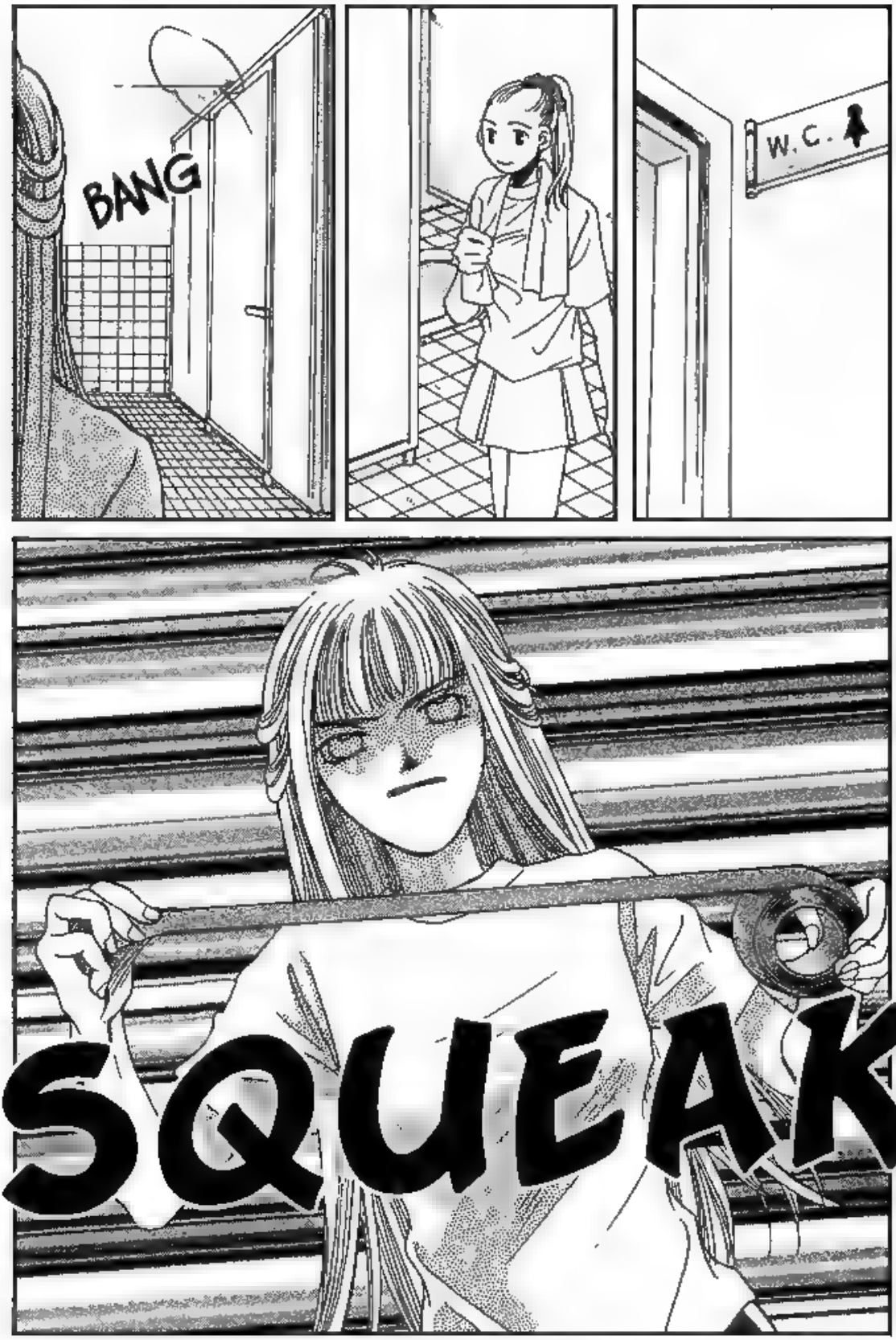

Round 3
IT'S AN AUTOMATIC WIN DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF 2-A PLAYERS.

BON — G
BAN — G
WHAT AN ABRUPT WAY TO COME UP TO THE FINALS.
YEP...


HUH?
I WON'T ACCEPT THIS...
EMPTY...
NOBODY HAS COME TO SEE TABLE TENNIS GAMES...
EVEN THOUGH THE OTHER GAMES SEEM REALLY LIVELY,
WELL, THAT'S SORTA EXPECTED THOUGH.

THIS IS THE LAST MEMORY BETWEEN SHUU-CHAN AND MYSELF!
I CAN'T JUST LET IT END THIS WAY!

HEY MINAMI!
WHA- WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO!?
WAH
WAH
OH, ISN'T THAT IIDA FROM OUR CLASS?
SHE SEEMS TO BE A REALLY GOOD TENNIS PLAYER.
Even though everyone is not exactly watching the game but her body..
MI-
MINAMI ...!?
LOOM


BANG
W.C.
SQUEAK

BANG BANG BANG
WHAT!? WHAT IS THIS!?
IT WON'T OPEN!!
In Cleaning
MI-MINAMI, WHACHA DOING!?
STICK STICK STICK
I'LL ELIMINATE ANYONE WHO'S WINNING IN THE GAMES!!
SO EVERY-ONE WILL PUT THEIR ATTENTION ON US!!

IT'S JUST A BALL GAME FESTIVAL, WHY'D YOU ...
MINAMI... WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
BUT IT'S OUR LAST MEMORY!
WE MUST MAKE IT REALLY BIG!
NOW, LET'S GO TO THE VOLLEYBALL TEAM.
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
MI-
MINAMI...

SNEAK
POUR
THUD
WHO SENT THIS IN?
OH, COLD DRINKS!
Yay!
I'm thirsty.
WHA...
WHAT DID YOU PUT IN THERE?
WELL... LET'S GO.

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HAVE I... ASKED YOU OF ANY FAVOR UNTIL NOW?
SHUU-CHAN...
BUT ...
I... I...
BACKS OFF
WELL, NO...
MOVES IN
PLEASE,
LET'S DO OUR BEST.
IT'S ALL FOR OUR LAST MO-MENTS, OKAY?

Flip
WHAT'S THIS?
CHAT
CHAT
CHAT
When's the next game?
It's starting soon Let's hurry
WHO'S "M"?
excited
excited
I've always kept my eyes on you.
There's something I want to give to you.
Please come to the back of the gymnasium before your next game.
I'll be waiting.
M

FALLS
Waaaaaaaa!!
STEP
HUH!?
AHH... I'VE PUT MY HANDS ON THE EVIL...
HEH... NOTHING CAN BE DONE IF THE GOAL KEEPER IS ABSENT.
NOW THE SOCCER TEAM IS DEAD.

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IN
5
9
BASKET-BALL!?

THERE'S NO TIME LEFT UNTIL OUR GAME THOUGH...

WELL, OBVIOUSLY EVERYONE'S HAPPY TO SEE OUR "LOSER'S TEAM" WORK SO HARD...
EVERYONE'S... REALLY HYPER ...
WAH!
WAH!
WAH!

LET'S DO IT, SHUU-CHAN.
ALL FOR OUR LAST MEMORY'S SAKE...
WE'LL GET THIS WHOLE AUDIENCE FOR OURSELVES!

WAH!
Sneak
WAH!
Sneak
WAH!
CLICK

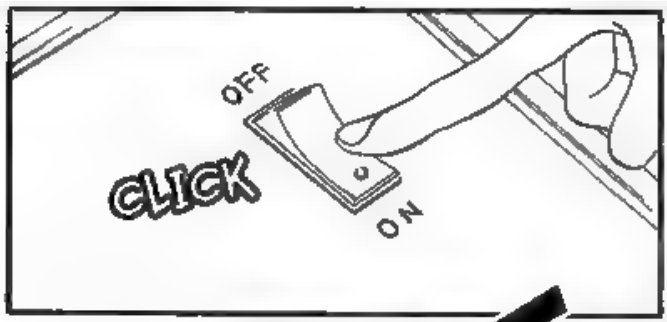
BUZZ

BUZZ

BUZZ

BANG
Announcement Room
WHAT'S WRONG?
HUH?
HEY,
STOMP STOMP STOMP
DON'T COME IN HERE SO CASUALLY!

MASH

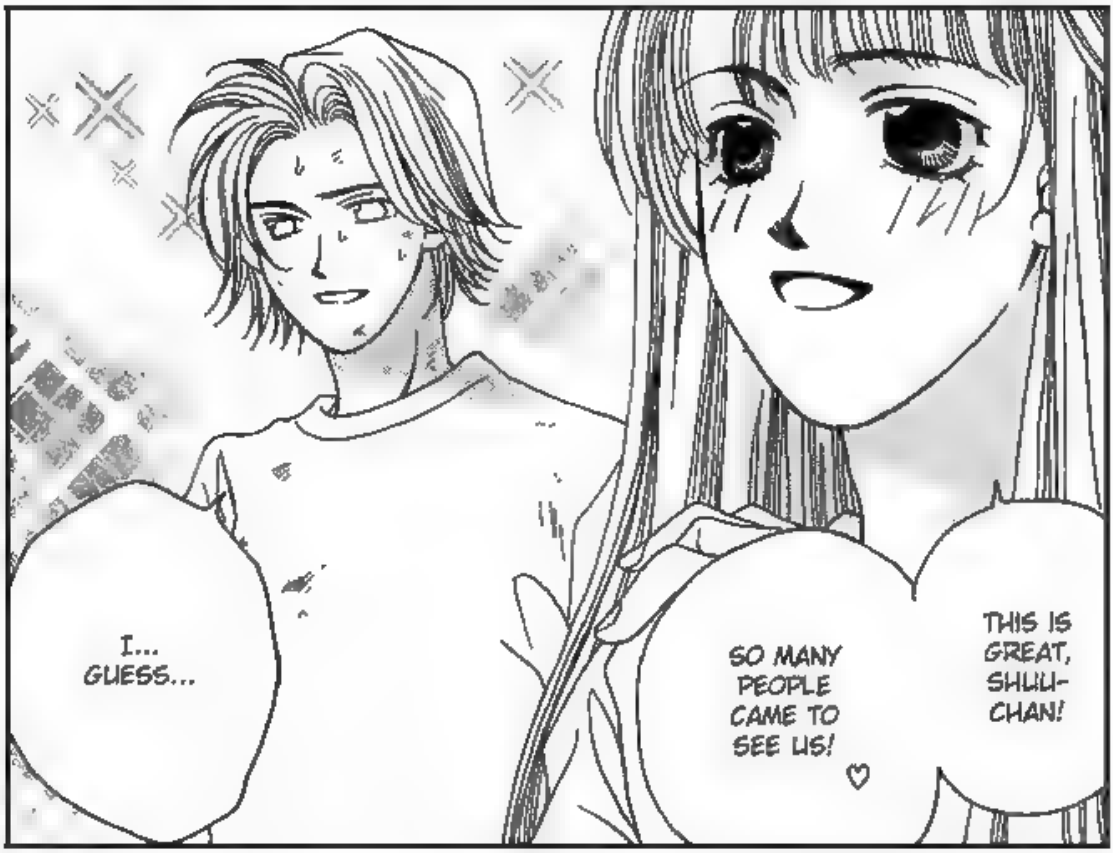

OFF
CLICK
ON

TO EVERY STUDENT IN THE SCHOOL,

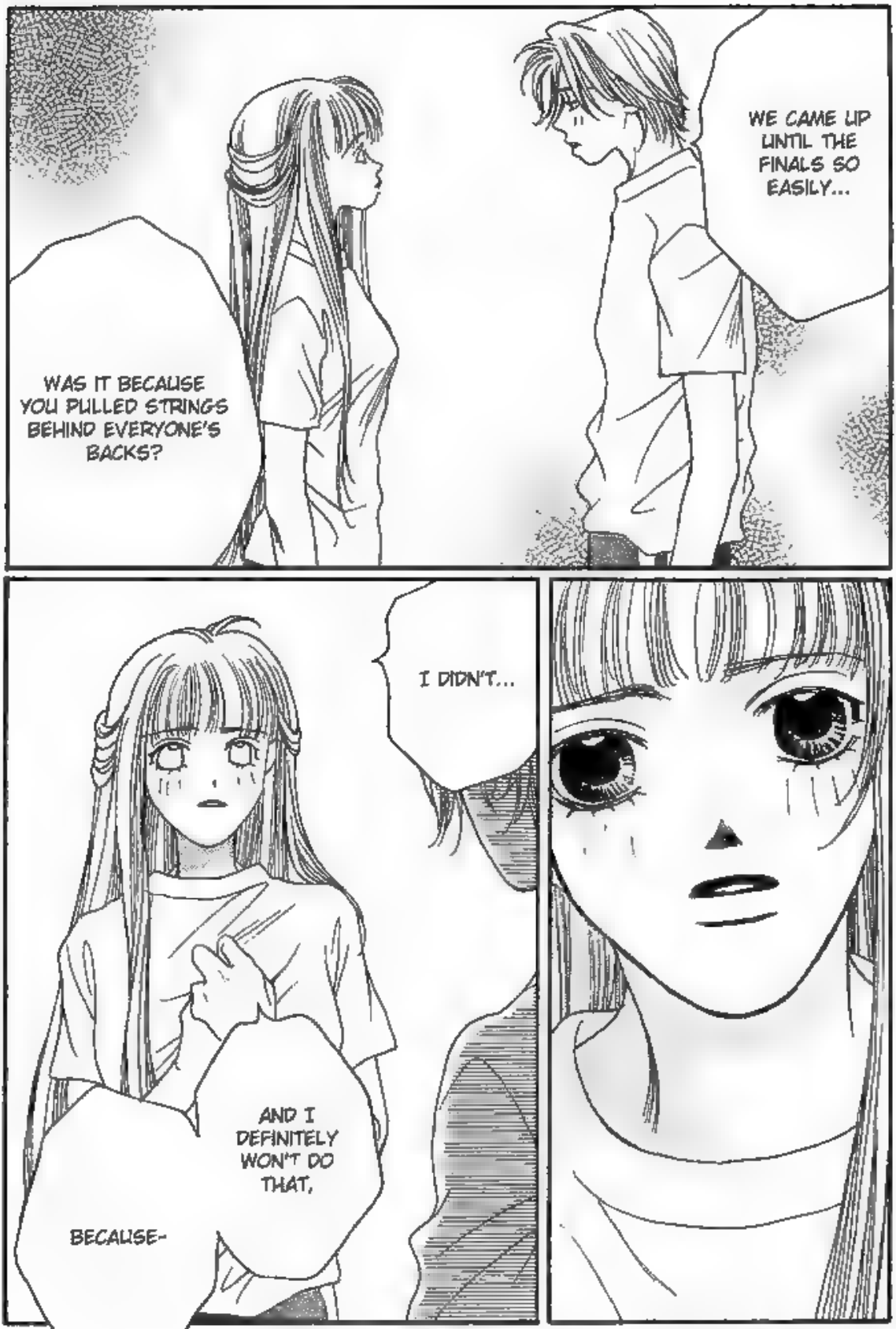
THUNK

There was a fire in Gymnasium 1.
Please evacuate to Gymnasium 2 immediately.
I repeat-
GYM 2, EH?
LET'S HURRY!
squeeze
squeeze
DON'T PUSH-
HURRY !!
thonk
thonk
thonk
GET OUTTA MY WAY, YOU!

murmur
murmur
WHA... WHAT...?


I... GUESS...
SO MANY PEOPLE CAME TO SEE US!
THIS IS GREAT, SHUU-CHAN!

UMM, MINAMI ...
DON'T TELL ME ...


WE CAME UP UNTIL THE FINALS SO EASILY...
WAS IT BECAUSE YOU PULLED STRINGS BEHIND EVERYONE'S BACKS?
I DIDN'T...
AND I DEFINITELY WON'T DO THAT,
BECAUSE-

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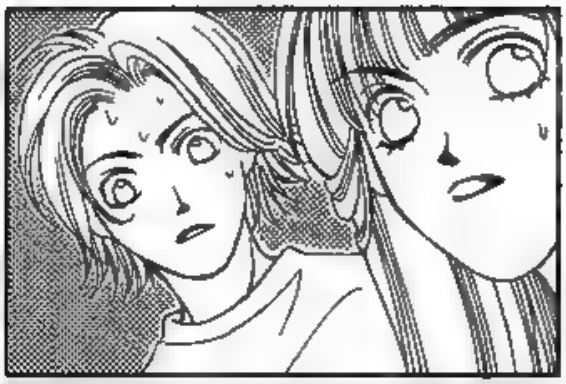
IT'S THE LAST AND THE ONLY
PRECIOUS MEMORY I HAVE WITH SHUU-CHAN...
What's with this massive number of people
WELL THEN,
2-C, NAKAGAWA/ KAJIWARA PAIR AND 3-A, ITOU/KANDA PAIR, PLEASE COME FORWARD FOR THE FINAL ROUND.
MINAMI ...

BANG
BONG
swoosh

THEY'RE GOOD!
Finally, a serious opponent.



ISN'T THAT FOR THE BEST?
WHAT A GREAT TURNING POINT FOR OUR LAST MEMORY...

MINAMI ...
I'M PRETTY SURE THEY'RE EX-MEMBERS OF THE TABLE TENNIS TEAM...

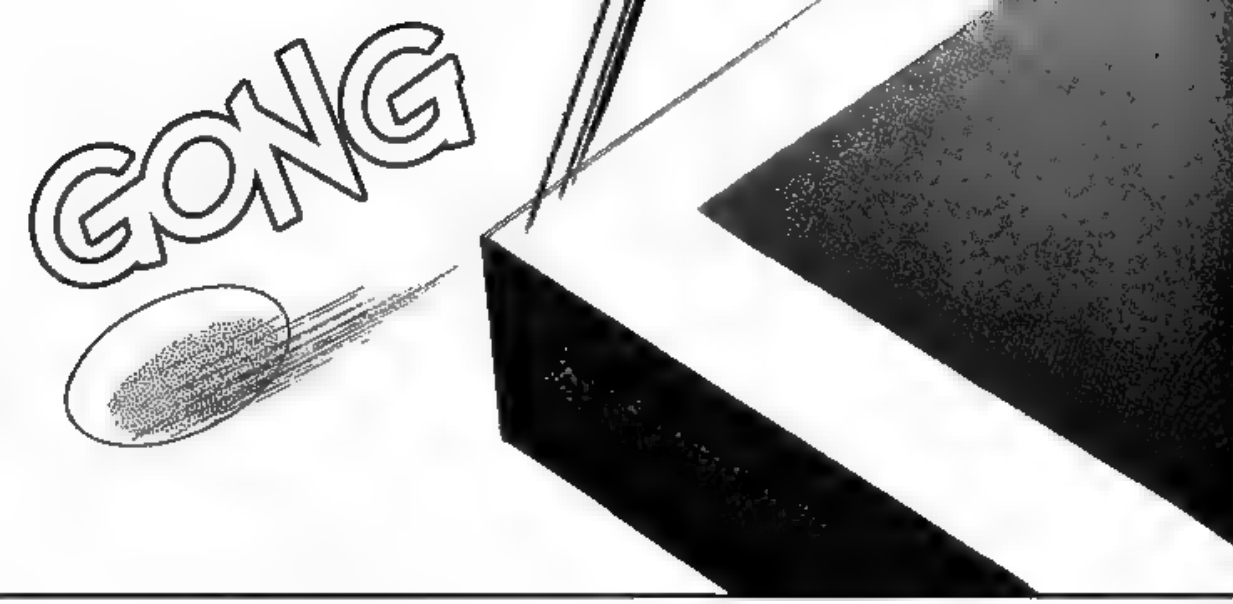
SWOOSH
IT'S FANTASTIC!!
BANG
I DON'T GET IT, BUT...
IT LOOKS LIKE A REALLY HEATED UP MATCH...
BONG
TRUE...
GO FOR IT!
THERE WE GO-
GOOD JOB, SHUU!
MINAMI!!

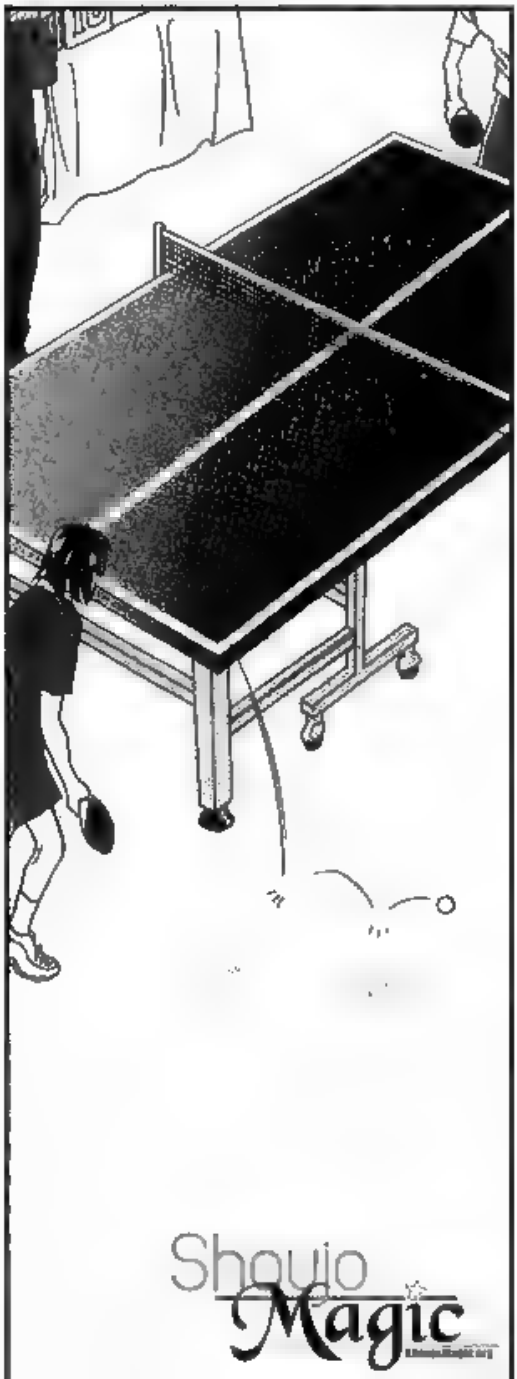
SHUU-CHAN,
DO YOU STILL RE-MEMBER OUR
FIRST DATE!?
RING
OF COURSE I DO...
YO!
BANG
IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I HAD A DATE,
SO WHEN YOU ASKED, "WHERE DO YOU WANNA GO?"
BANG
Umm...
No private talks please...
I WAS REALLY TROUBLED!
BONG
AND I SAID, "LET'S PLAY TABLE TENNIS," RIGHT?
YEP, YEP !!
BANG

SWING
BACK THEN,
I THOUGHT ABOUT NOTHING BUT TO-
BRING YOU TO A HOTEL ON OUR WAY BACK, Y'NOW!
SWOOSH
WHAT DID YOU-
SAY !?

FIGHT - KAJIWARA MINAMI
GONG

Hmph
DARN IT!
IT'S TOO WIDE!
HIT IT, PLEASE!!





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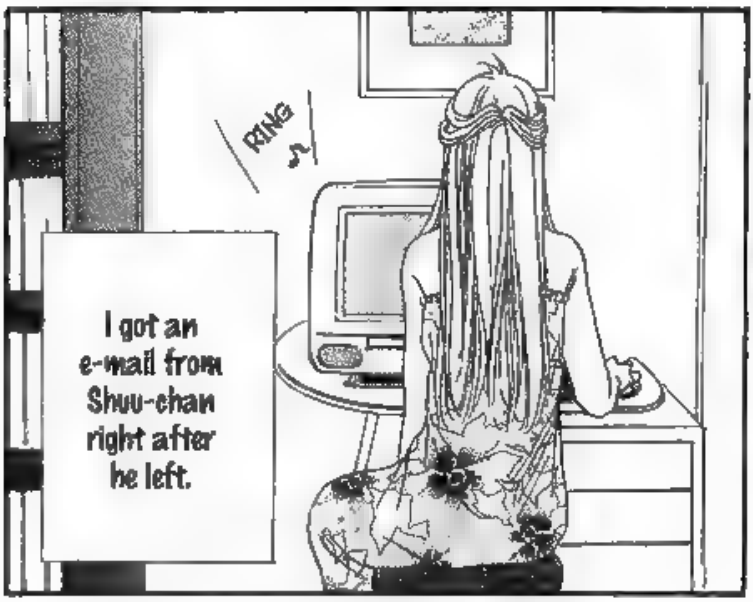
WE WON!!
WAH!

OUR LAST MOMENTS TOGETHER...
IT'S OVER...
SHUU-CHAN...
YEP...
YEP...
IT'S OVER...

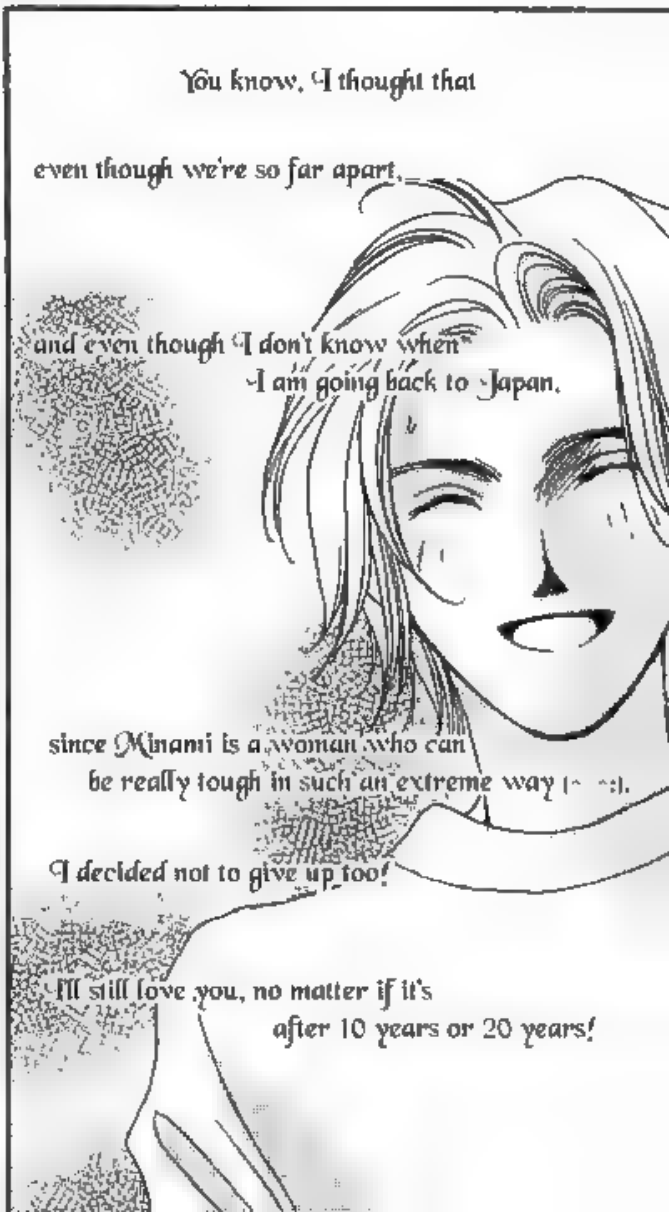
CHAT
Hey hey, what's wrong?
MURMUR...
Ahh...
Ahh...
WAH...

Three days later,
Shuu-chan left for Kota Kinabalu...


RING
I got an e-mail from Shuu-chan right after he left.

CLICK

HMM... DID I DO ANYTHING?
?
Will everything be all right...?


You know, I thought that
even though we're so far apart,
and even though I don't know when I am going back to Japan,
since Minami is a woman who can be really tough in such an extreme way (^ ^),
I decided not to give up too!
I'll still love you, no matter if it's after 10 years or 20 years!

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恋

いしのかたり

Mizushiro Setona

...
This is the third day since I've moved here.
While standing at the middle of Kyoto City,

swoosh
I realized that I lost my way...
Yamana Family Tomb
AH! WHAT TO DO NOW!?
I'M GOING BE LATE FOR MY FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!
SHACK...
This is bad, real bad
NO MATTER HOW I LOOK AT IT, THIS IS A DEAD END... RIGHT...?
I MUST'VE TAKEN A WRONG PATH AT SOME POINT.

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BOOOOOOM
KYAAAAA!
KYAAA!
KYAAA!
KYAAA!
OI!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU!?
WHAT'S WRONG!?

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I DON'T FEEL LIKE GOING ANYMORE.
TO BE SO LATE ON MY FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL ...

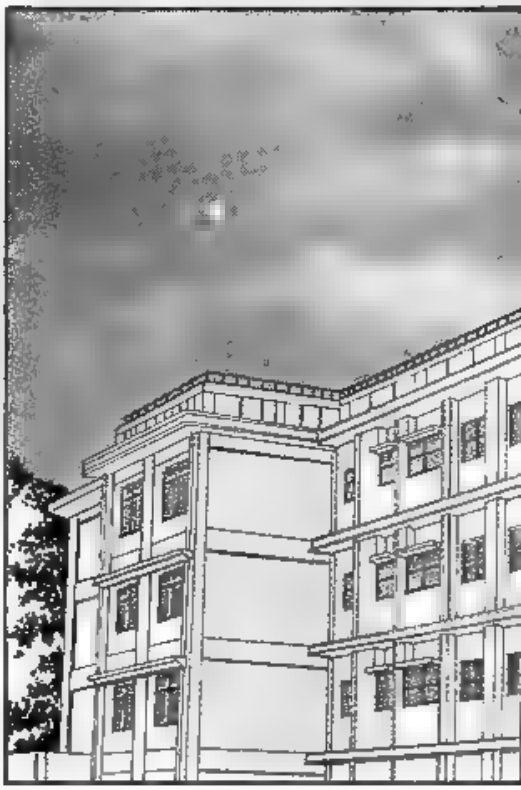
EH!?
THEN LET'S SKIP AND GO SOME-WHERE.
OH?

Hahaha!
YOU BETTER HEAD TO MY SCHOOL, OKAY!?
HEY,

YOU JUST CAME TO KYOTO?
YEP,
MY DAD HAD A JOB TRANSFER.

YOU'RE WELCOME.
Thank god I've arrived here safely.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH...

HUH?
DO YOU THINK YOU'LL GET LOST ON YOUR WAY BACK?
I'LL COME AND PICK YOU UP.



I'LL WAIT FOR YOU HERE WHEN YOU'RE DONE.
MY NAME IS HARADA KOUNIN.
TAPAPAPA
PAPAPA
EH, WAIT...
WHAT A FLIRT ...
WELL HE'S GOOD-LOOKING, SO IT'S OKAY
Though he has a weird name
Matsu-shima-san!
How can you be so late on your first day here?
I... I'm sorry!

DING-DONG
SO YOU REALLY CAME.
OF COURSE!
I WON'T BREAK MY PROMISE WITH A GIRL!
...
I HAVEN'T ASKED FOR YOUR NAME YET.
AH,
I'M MATSU-SHIMA... HITOMI.
HITOMI-CHAN,
WHERE SHALL WE GO NOW?

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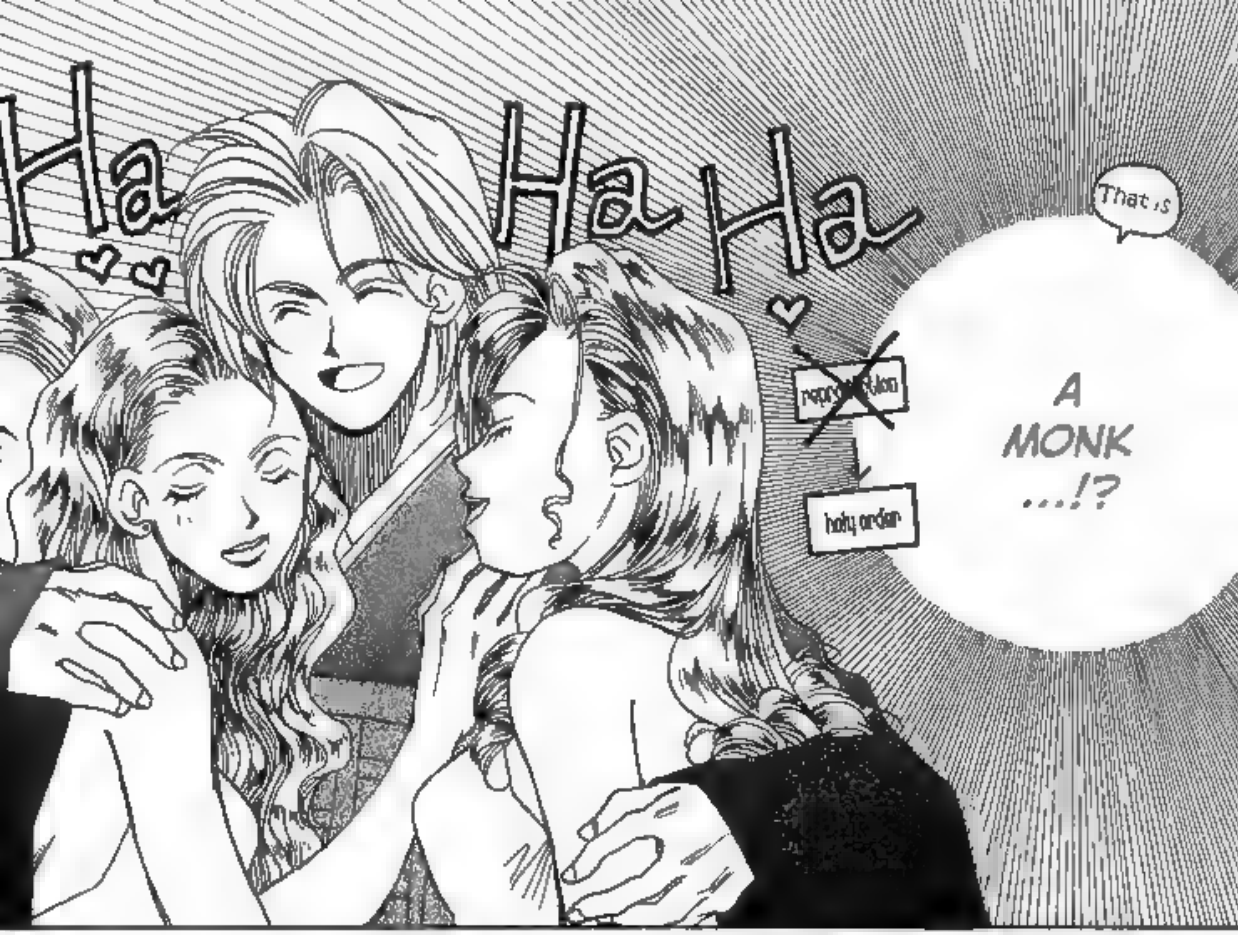
...
I GUESS IT'S OKAY, SINCE HE'S HANDSOME
I'VE REJECTED THEM ALL, RIGHT!?
ALL FOR YOU!!
Shijo Road
Shijo dori
namco
WONDER TOWER
富士銀行
3:32
CLA-SH!
RIN-G
Hah!
BANG
Eek!
GONG

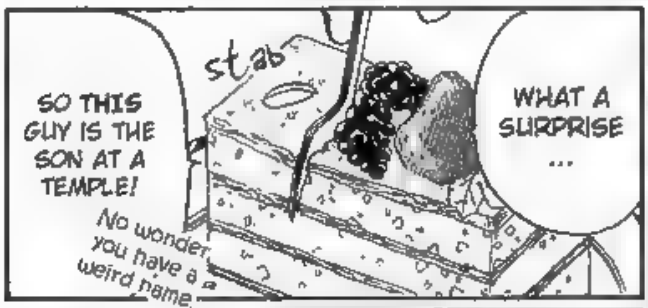
(Translator's note: Boo-tarou is a slang term to describe men who don't have a proper job at a young age)

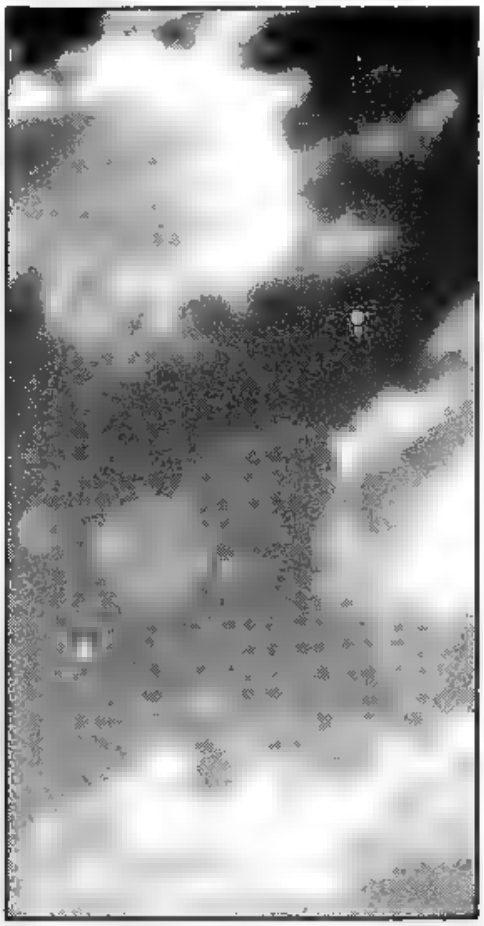
HUH? A MONK ...?
MONK AS IN...
reproduce ?
YOU BETTER BE CAREFUL, LITTLE LADY.
THIS GUY IS A WALKING REPRODUCER, Y'KNOW!
AN EXTREMELY PERVERTED MONK, THAT IS.
¿HEY!

THIS GUY IS THE RIGHTFUL HEIR TO A TEMPLE!
HUH? YOU DONT KNOW?

HUH? YOU DIDN'T KNOW?
YOU WERE LOST AT THE CEMETARY RAN BY MY FAMILY, Y'KNOW.







(Translator's note- Both "Reproduction" and "Holy Order" have the same pronunciation in Japanese, as "Seishoku")

REALLY? WHY?
WHY? WELL,
ISN'T IT PRETTY OBVIOUS!?
BANG!

WHO'S GOING TO WANT TO BE SOMEBODY LIKE THAT, HMPH!!
BUT THOSE GUYS WERE LYING WHEN THEY SAID I WAS THE "HEIR" TO THE TEMPLE.

OH MY GOD
I WON'T BE ABLE TO STAND BEING A BALD HEAD!

T-THAT'S TRUE,
LOOKS ARE IMPORTANT TO GUYS, HUH?
...
huff huff
I'LL MAKE MY BIG BRO TAKE CARE OF THE TEMPLE... IT'S THE ELDEST SON'S DUTY!!
NO WORRIES! I'M ONLY THE SECOND SON!
DON'T... DON'T CAST ANY SHADOW ON MY ONLY RAY OF HOPE!
DOESN'T SOUND LIKE HE'S GOING TO EVER COME HOME, EITHER.
You guys just let him escape?
AND HAS BEEN MISSING EVER SINCE...
HE RAN AWAY FROM HIS MOUNTAIN TRAINING FOUR YEARS AGO...
WHAT IS YOUR BROTHER DOING NOW?
HMM,
EGK
older brother

AHAHA,
I'M SORRY I DRAGGED YOU AROUND FOR SO LONG.
Well, I was only following you though
AND FOR TAKING ME HOME.
THANKS FOR TODAY ...
HUH?
AH, UMM-
CAN I COME AND PICK YOU UP TOMORROW, TOO?
!!!

I THOUGHT YOU WERE A NICE PERSON, TOO!
YOU MON-STER!
Ha Ha
HEY!! WE JUST MET TODAY! WHAT ARE DOING!?
SNAP
Ouch!
HOMO!? OR GAY!?
WHAT!? THEN WHAT TYPE OF PEOPLE DO YOU CON-SIDER AS NICE!?
DON'T YOU THINK THE ORDER IS A BIT WRONG HERE?
AND I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU THAT I LIKE YOU.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BRAG ABOUT IT!
YOU BETTER BE CAREFUL WITH PEOPLE WHO ACT DIFFERENTLY THAN WHAT THEY SEEM LIKE!
ANY MEN WOULD WANT TO DO IT WITH THE WOMAN THEY LIKE!!
LEC TURE

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...
VROOM...
GOOD LOOKS ARE IMPORTANT TO GUYS, RIGHT!?
WELL WHO CARES.
HE'S A HAND-SOME GUY ANYHOW
W-WHAT A STRANGE GUY...

TEMPLE? LIKE KINGAKU TEMPLE AND KIYOMIZU TEMPLE?
I'VE BEEN TO THOSE FAMOUS ONES DURING MY GRAD TRIP.
UMMM... TO THE TEMPLE!
OKAY! THEN MISSY,
WHERE SHALL I TAKE YOU TODAY?
PUNCH
Wah! that's dangerous
WILL YOU MEET MY PARENTS?
I WANNA SEE KOUNIN-SAN'S TEMPLE. ♡

SO IT WAS A PRETTY BIG TEMPLE...
HOLD ON FOR A SEC.
I'm going take this off first.
OKAY.
STARE
EE-
EK!

HITOMI-CHAN!?

HUH? AGAIN ...
IT CAME OUT! THE GHOST! THE GHOST!

GYAAAA
GYA
GYAAAA

OR JUST A SICK CHRIS-TIAN.
A STALER O'MINE?
...

WHAT !?
MAYBE IT'S JUST ...

IT WAS A PALE WOMAN WITH LONG HAIR, A CROSS AND WAS WEARING BLACK CLOTHES!
...
IT WAS OVER THERE!

OH MY, I'M GLAD YOU CAME.
THERE'S NOT MUCH HERE, BUT WE HOPE YOU ENJOY STAYING HERE.
chatter
chatter
DUHHH! GET OUT! GO AWAY!
Kounin-san's girl-friend?
I'm the dad, nice to meet you!
Ah, hello
KOU-CHAN, SO YOU GOT SUCH A CUTE GIRL, EH?
DON'T YOU EVER MAKE HER CRY!
HUH... IT'S A REALLY NICE PLACE.
IT'S BIG AND QUIET TOO...

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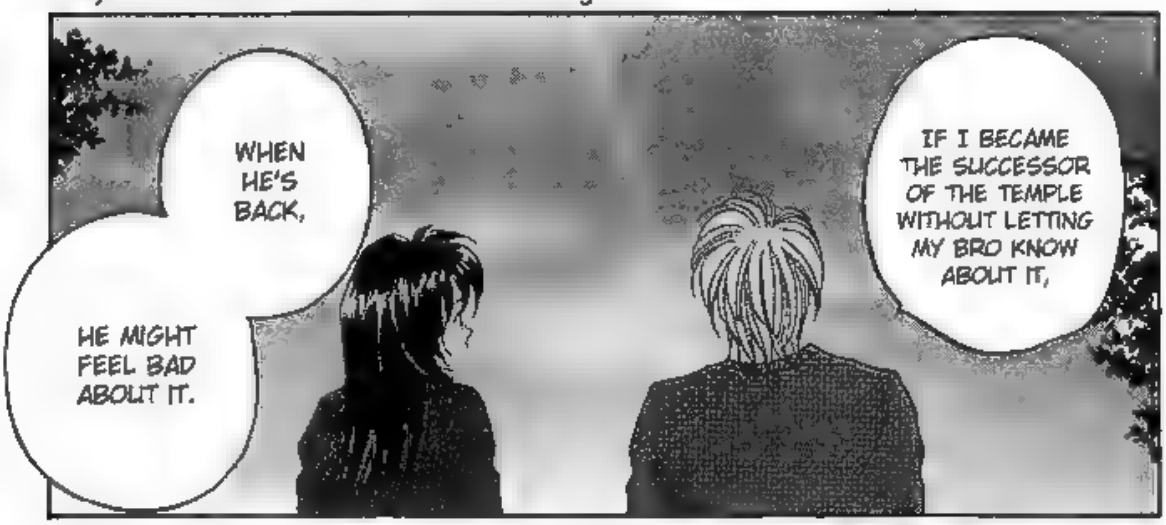
YEAH ...
WHY WON'T YOU JUST TAKE IT?
ACTUALLY,
I DON'T REALLY MIND TAKING ON THE TEMPLE.
BUT YOU KNOW,
MY BRO MIGHT COME BACK ANY TIME...
SO IF POSSIBLE,
I WANT TO TALK IT OVER WITH MY FAMILY FIRST.


WHEN HE'S BACK,
HE MIGHT FEEL BAD ABOUT IT.
IF I BECAME THE SUCCESSOR OF THE TEMPLE WITHOUT LETTING MY BRO KNOW ABOUT IT,

TURNS!
THIS IS HOW GUYS TRY TO ATTRACT GIRLS! YOU BETTER BE CAREFUL!
JUST KIDDING!

HMM ...
SO YOU PUT SOME SERIOUS THINKING INTO IT, HUH...

IT'S A POPULAR SAY THAT "70% OF A PERSON'S APPEARANCE IS DETERMINED BY HIS/HER HAIR"!
DID YOU KNOW!?
GRIP

...
I WANT TO STAY MANLY FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!
DON'T YOU KID WITH ME, AND WHO'S GOING TO WANT TO BE A BALD HEAD!!!

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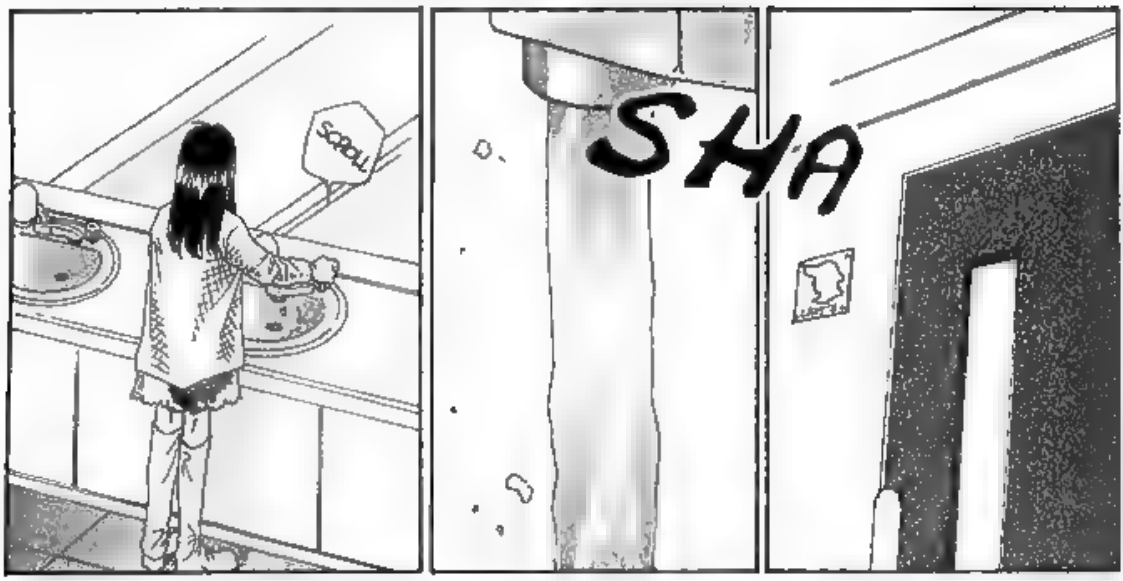
BLING!
HITOMI-CHAN, HOW IS IT!?
YOU THINK THAT "GUYS ARE ALL ABOUT LOOKS", RIGHT!?
WELL, WELL ...
YUKI-CHAN, TOMOMI, CHIAKI, KYOKO...NONE OF THEM WOULD...
WHO'D ACTUALLY LIKE A BALDY...?
SHAKE
SHAKE
IF I WAS BALD, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE COME ALONG WITH ME RIGHT!?
NOPE.
STOP CRYING, I ONLY ANSWERED WHAT YOU ASKED!
WOO
WOO

AND SHAVE ALL HIS HAIR OFF!
DAMN IT-
ONCE MY BROTHER'S BACK, I'LL TIE HIM WITH A ROPE,

BUMP
SO MANY PEOPLE ...
MAKE SURE WE DON'T GET TOO FAR AWAY FROM EACH OTHER.
BE CARE-FUL.

"HAVE YOU"

"FALLEN IN LOVE WITH ME NOW?"



WHERE IS KOUNIN-SAN GOING TO GO?
TONIGHT, AFTER THIS
I'D PROBABLY FOLLOW HIM ANYWAYS
SOMEHOW, I FEEL THAT NO MATTER WHAT LEVEL HE'S TRYING TO GO UP TO

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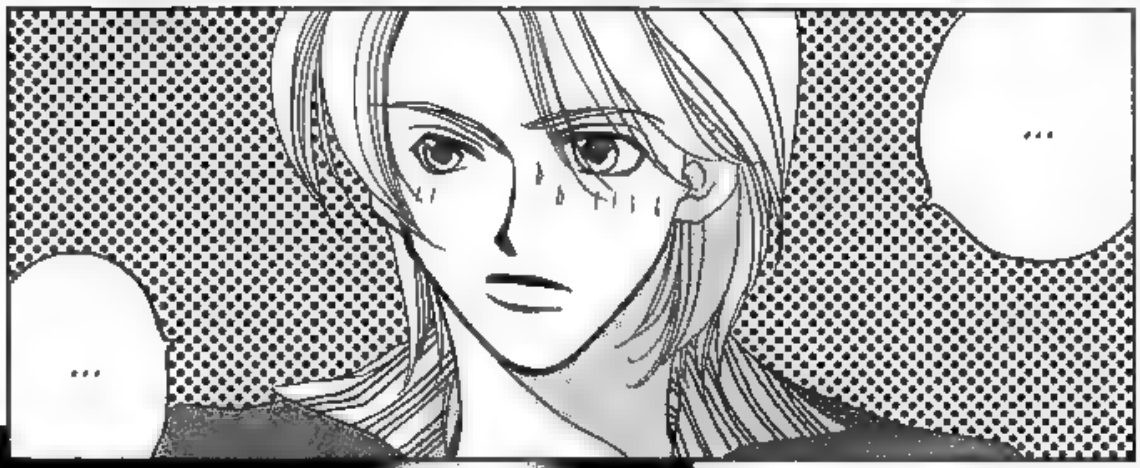
YO.
LONG TIME NO SEE!
HOW ARE YOU?
HUH? ISN'T THAT KOUNIN?
KO-NI-N!
NAH, DON'T BE SO COLD!
AREN'T YOU DRUNK ...?
AH, I'M SORRY BUT I BROUGHT SOMEBODY AND...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE ALONE?
LET'S PLAY TOGETHER.

AH, HITOMI-CHAN.
...
I'M NOT GOING ANY-WHERE ...
I'M GOING HOME.
Konin~
I'M SORRY, I...
SHALL WE GO SOME-WHERE ELSE?
THEY'RE JUST FRIENDS! FRIENDS!
C'MON, DON'T BE SO MAD!
...
YOU CAN JUST PLAY WITH THOSE BIG SISTERS, CAN'T YOU!?
AH REALLY?
THEN I'LL WALK YOU HOME.
YOU DON'T NEED TO!

I THINK THAT ...
KOUNIN-SAN WOULDN'T BE A GOOD SUCCESSOR TO THE TEMPLE!
BECAUSE YOU LOOK GOOD WITH LONG HAIR!
AND YOU LOOK THE BEST,
WHEN YOU PLAY AROUND WITH A LOT OF GIRLS!
DON'T COMPLIMENT ME SO MUCH, IT'S SO EMBARRASSING
I'M NOT COMPLIMENTING YOU!
I'M SAYING THAT YOU SUCK!
YOU'RE A GUY WHO ONLY KNOWS HOW TO FLIRT AROUND WITH HIS GOOD LOOKS!

WHAT!? ARE YOU SAYING IT'S MY FAULT!?
IF GIRLS ARE LIKE THAT, IT CAN'T BE HELPED THAT WE BEHAVE THE WAY WE DO.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? DON'T GIRLS CHOOSE GUYS BASED ON THEIR LOOKS ANYWAYS?
Good luck, girlfriend!
What, a love fight?
WHATEVER THEN, I KNOW I'M WEAK TOWARDS GOOD-LOOKING GUYS!
BUT THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE DOING!
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT HITOMI-CHAN IN PARTICULAR, THOUGH...
POINT!
IF YOU THINK THE WORLD'S UNFAIR, THEN JUST BE COOLER THAN THEY ARE!
THERE ARE PLENTY OF GOOD-LOOKING GUYS OUT THERE ALREADY!

STOMP STOMP STOMP
TURNS!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IT'S SO OBVIOUS THAT I'M JEALOUS
I'M SO SHAME-LESS!

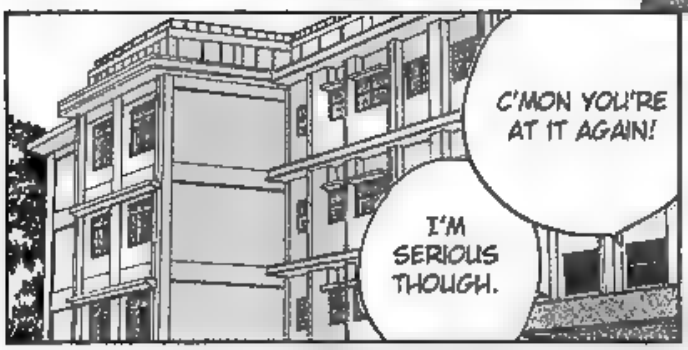
I WAS ABOUT TO THROW MYSELF AT HIM!
AH! THAT WAS CLOSE

KOUNIN-SAN IS JUST A FLIRT AFTER ALL..
I BET-TER BE CARE-FUL

...
...

STOMP
STOMP
SWAYS
GET OUT OF MY WAY!
DONG
AHH-
BOOM
HE MIGHT COME AND HANG AROUND LIKE USUAL TOMORROW, ANYWAYS...
...
OH, WHO CARES
See ya.
Chatter
Chatter

HUH, HITOMI..
WHERE'S THAT COOL BOYFRIEND OF YOURS?
AH... WELL...


C'MON YOU'RE AT IT AGAIN!
I'M SERIOUS THOUGH.

SO HE RAN AWAY BECAUSE OF SUCH A TRIVIAL THING?
HMMPH, WHAT!?
HOW CHILD-ISH.

YEP!
IS THAT OKAY?
LET'S GO, LET'S GO...
HE ISN'T MY BOYFRIEND OR ANYTHING.
AND YOU KNOW, THAT GUY ...

...
And the next
Day after
Next day
I DON'T REALLY CARE THOUGH
...
...
HUH?
...
MAYBE I DID . I GUESS ..
DID I SAY SOMETHING TOO MEAN?

GHOST!
SWOOSH
THAT PERSON HAVE I SEEN HIM SOMEWHERE
GRAB
SKY!
!?

I'M
...
HUNGRY
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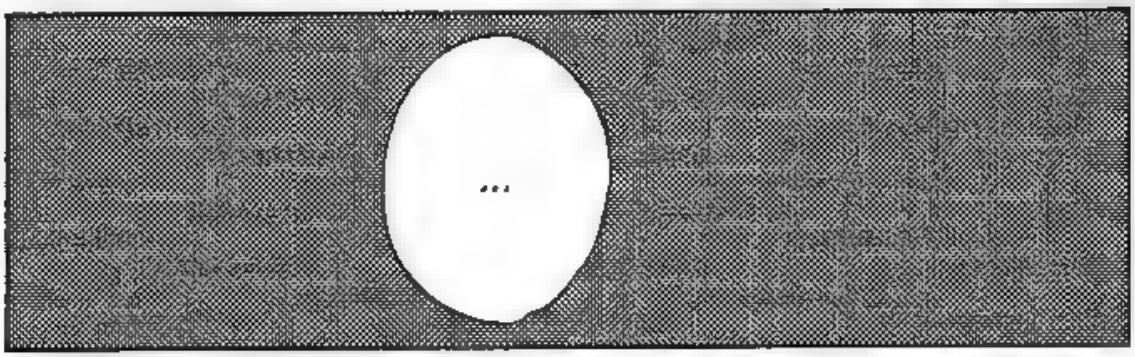
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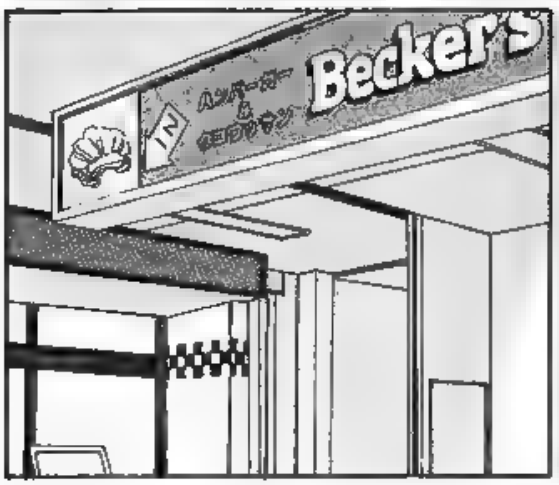
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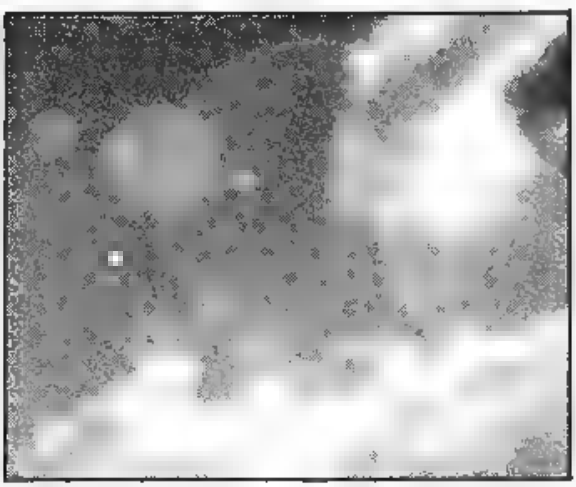

MUNCH
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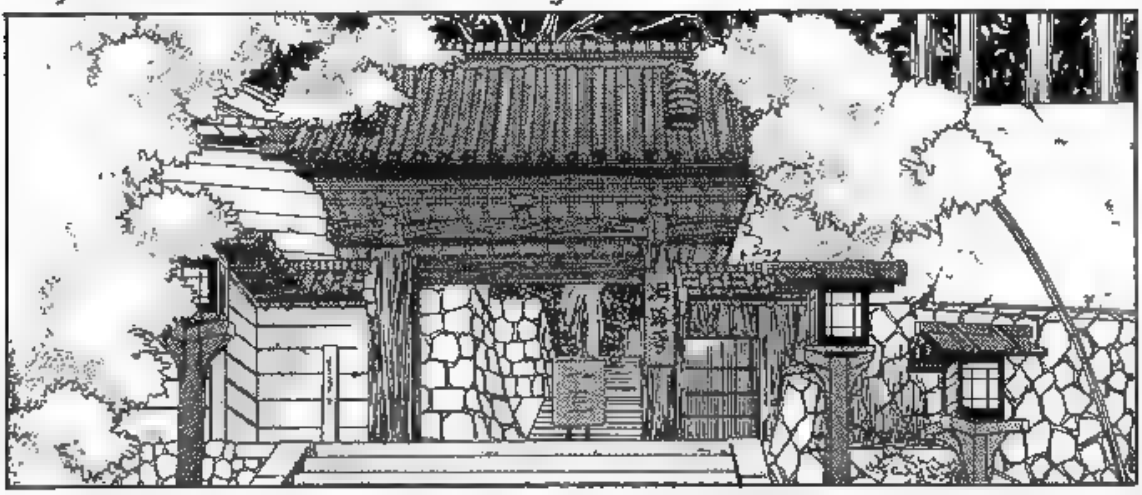
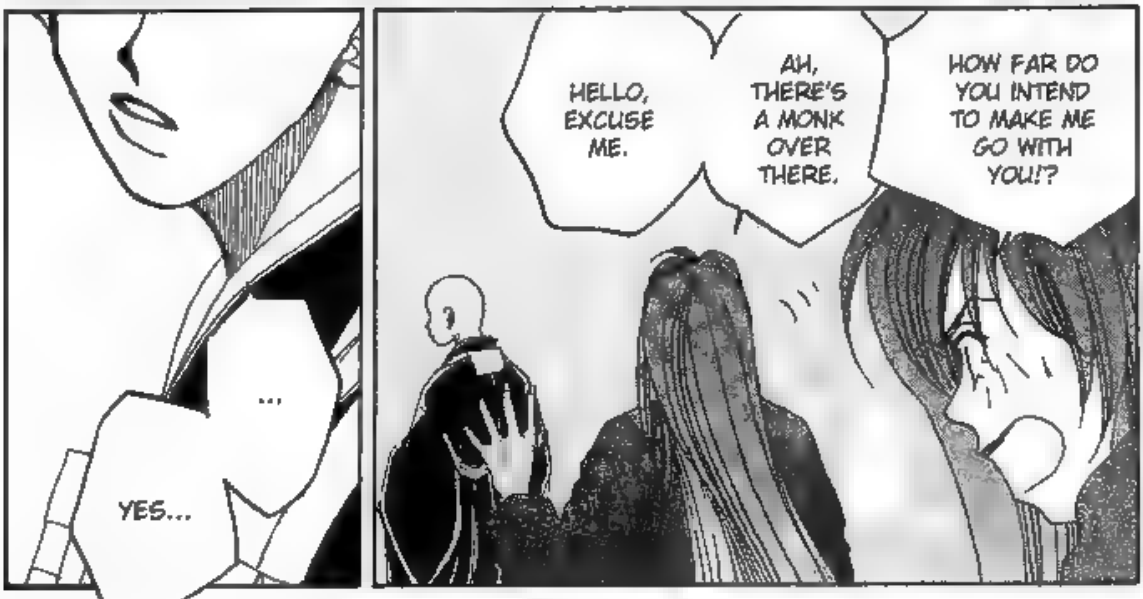
MUNCH
IT'S MY FIRST MEAL IN THREE DAYS.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS!
HAH...NOW I'M FEELING BETTER.
Phew!
SO YOU WERE A HUMAN...
I WAS IN AN AMATEUR BAND IN TOKYO,
AND OUR MANAGER RAN AWAY WITH ALL OUR MONEY ...
SO IN ORDER TO COLLECT SOME MONEY TO PAY BACK OUR LOANS, I CAME BACK HOME TO KYOTO.

YES ...
SO YOU CAN'T EVEN ASK FOR PARENTAL SUPPORT THEN?
Sob Sob
BUT I WAS A BAD CHILD WHO RAN AWAY FROM HOME,
AND NOW I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO FACE THEM...
drip
...THEN I'LL JUST...
pant pant
IF YOU LEAVE ME HERE, THERE'S NO-WHERE ELSE FOR ME TO GO...
WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME!?
YOU HAVE SUCH KIND EYES...
LIKE A GODDESS ...

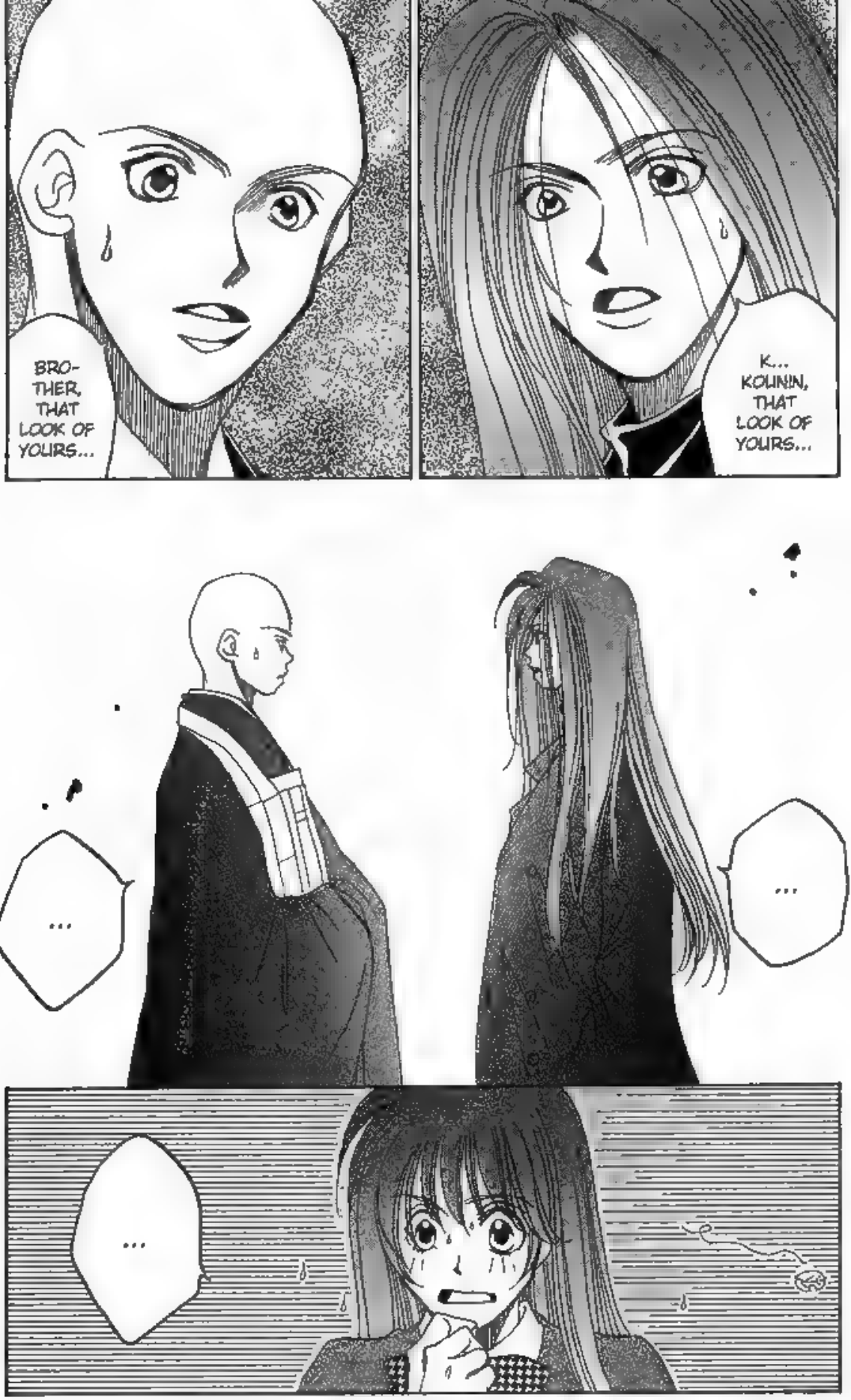
I JUST DON'T HAVE THE COURAGE TO GO BY MYSELF!!
PLEASE, JUST THINK THAT YOU'RE DOING A BIG FAVOR...
HEY YOU, IT'S YOUR OWN HOME RIGHT!?
WHY DO I HAVE TO WALK YOU HOME!?
AM I DESTINED TO HAVE STRANGE MEN AROUND ME ALL THE TIME!?
IT'S JUST A LITTLE BIT AHEAD,
AFTER WE CLIMB THIS HILL, WE'LL BE THERE.
THAT IS IT.
BY THE WAY..
I've no sense of direction.
I THINK I'VE SEEN THIS PLACE SOMEWHERE



I KNEW IT...
HAH-
I FEEL SO MUCH BETTER WHEN I'M NOT ALONE.
OKAY, LET'S GO IN.
H-HEY WAIT...
THIS GUY ...IS HE.

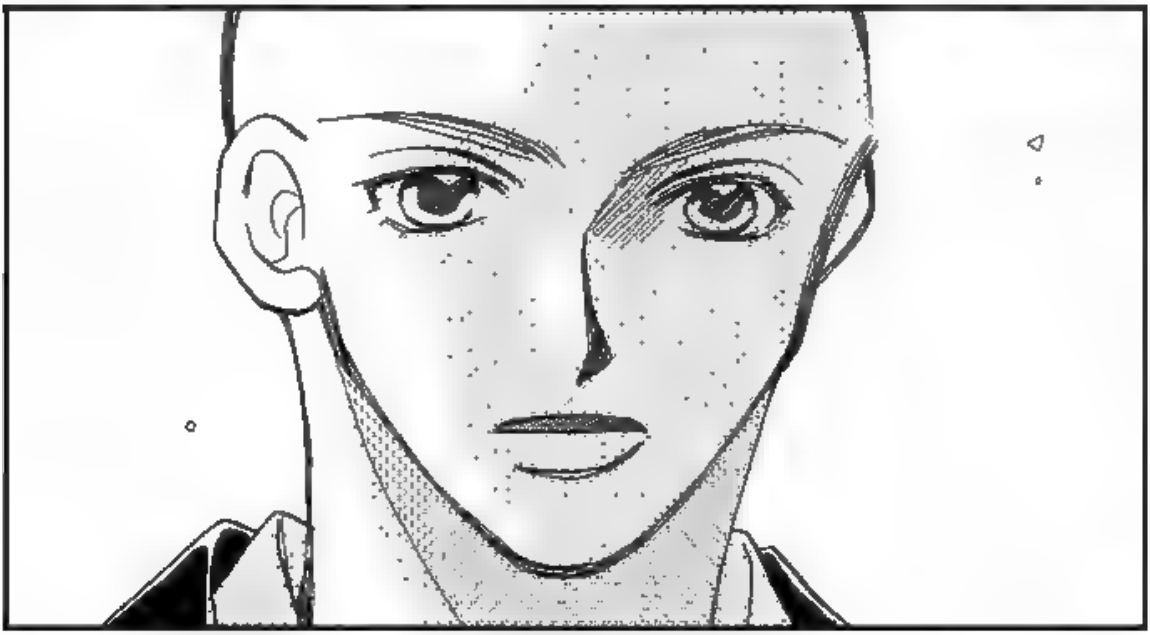

HOW FAR DO YOU INTEND TO MAKE ME GO WITH YOU!?
AH, THERE'S A MONK OVER THERE.
HELLO, EXCUSE ME.
...
YES...

KOUNIN-
SAN!?


BRO-
THER,
THAT
LOOK OF
YOURS...
K...
KOUNIN,
THAT
LOOK OF
YOURS...
...
...
...

BANG!
WHAT DID YOU COME HERE FOR, AT SUCH A TIME?
AH ...
...
THERE'S NOWHERE ELSE FOR ME TO GO AND...
SO ...
NOW I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY.
AND THEN...
Y-Y'KNOW, RIGHT NOW... I'M EARNING A LIVING FROM MUSIC.

I KNOW I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK YOU THIS FAVOR NOW, BUT...
MY BAD ...



STEP STEP
TURNS

STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
Eek!
WAH
S-SHAV-ING!?
D-DON'T TELL ME,
HE'S GOING TO TIE HIM UP AND SHAVE HIS HEAD.
...
TOSS!
ISN'T IT BAD ...
TO USE OUR PARENTS' BANK ACCOUNT ...?
...
AH ...

IDIOT! THAT'S MINE!
K-KOUNIN ...
SO IF YOU WASTE IT, YOU'LL BE BROKE IN NO TIME!
THERE'S NOT MUCH IN IT,
I'M SORRY, KOUNIN ...
I PUT ALL THE PRESSURE ON YOU...

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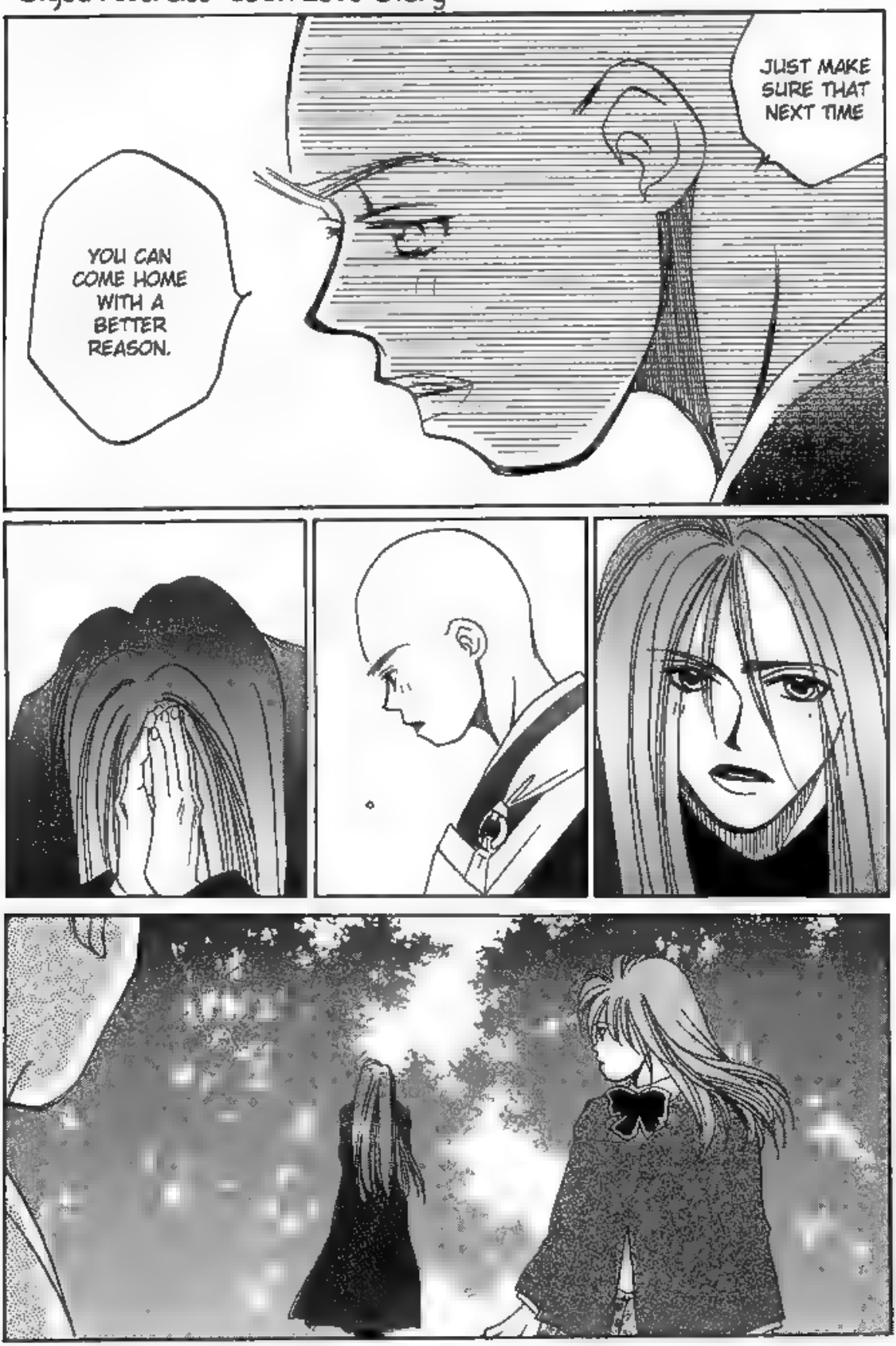
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT ANY-THING!
BECAUSE YOU'VE GOT A REALLY SMART BROTHER!
BUT NOW... I'M RE-LIEVED
I WAS WORRIED ABOUT HOME ALL THIS TIME.
I DON'T WANT YOU TO SAY THAT!
KOUNIN, YOU'VE BECOME AN ADULT...
YOU LOOK GREAT!
...
IT'LL BE TROUBLE-SOME IF DAD AND OTHERS FIND YOU.
HURRY AND GO NOW!
KOUNIN ...


JUST MAKE SURE THAT NEXT TIME
YOU CAN COME HOME WITH A BETTER REASON.

HE HUNG AROUND KOUNIN-SAN'S HOME BECAUSE HE FE..T BAD ABOUT IT.
WAS YOUR BROTHER.
SO THE PERSON WHO I THOUGHT WAS A GHOST...
AH.
AHAHA.
...
JUST A COINCI-DENCE... YEAH...
WELL, UM...
...
WHY WERE YOU WITH MY BRO...

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HUG
YOU REALLY LOOK COOL!
THERE'S NOBODY ELSE LIKE YOU!!
I NEVER KNEW YOU WERE SUCH A COOL GUY!
I'M SERIOUS!

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